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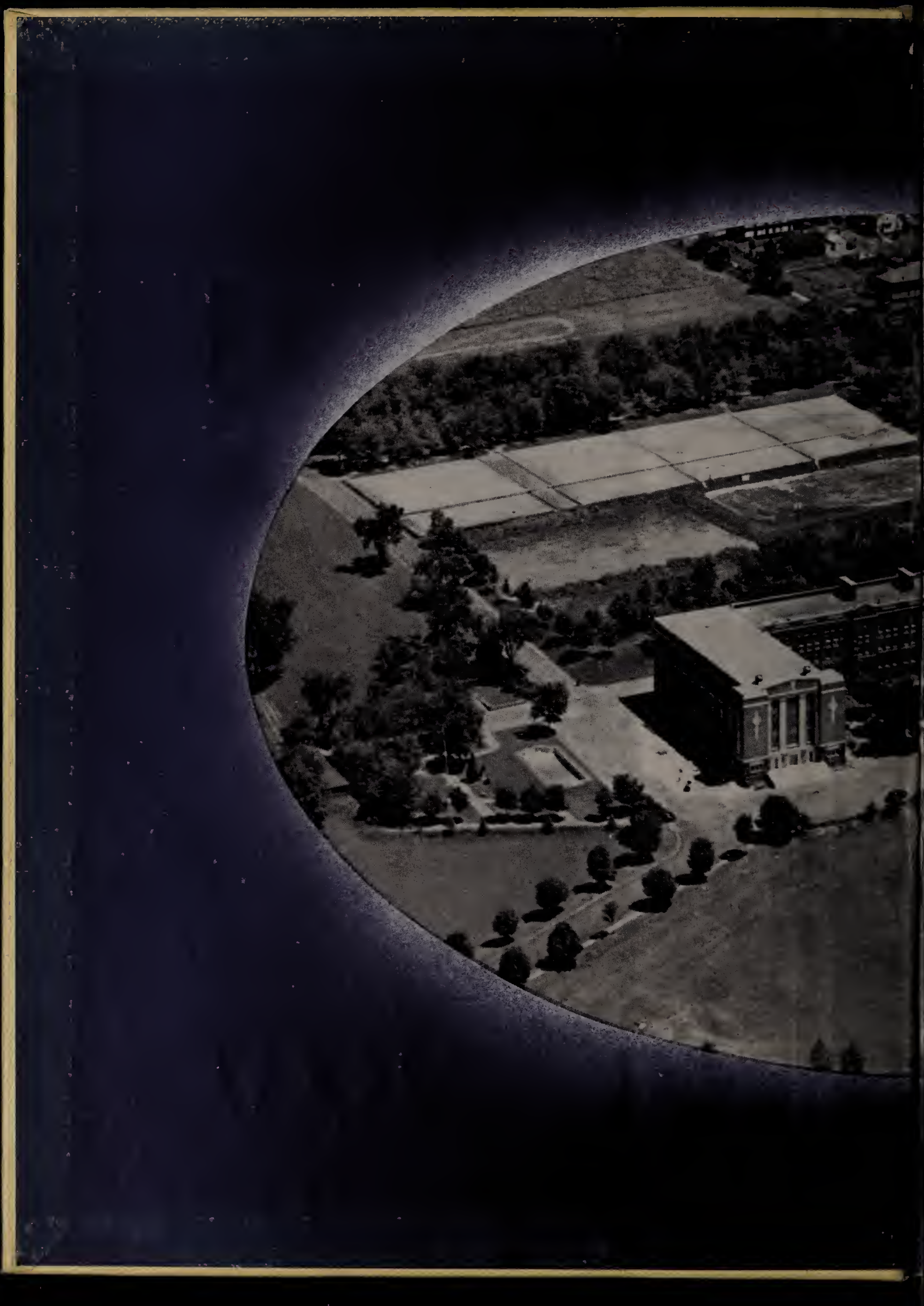

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Par ce Memini,
La classe finissante de 1947
désire présenter
au Très Révérend Père Wilfrid Dufault,
premier Supérieur franco-américain
du Collège de l'Assomption,
et premier Provincial
de toute l'Assomption de l'Amérique du Nord,
le plus fidèle témoignage
de sa reconnaissance.

T. Rév. Wilfrid Dufault

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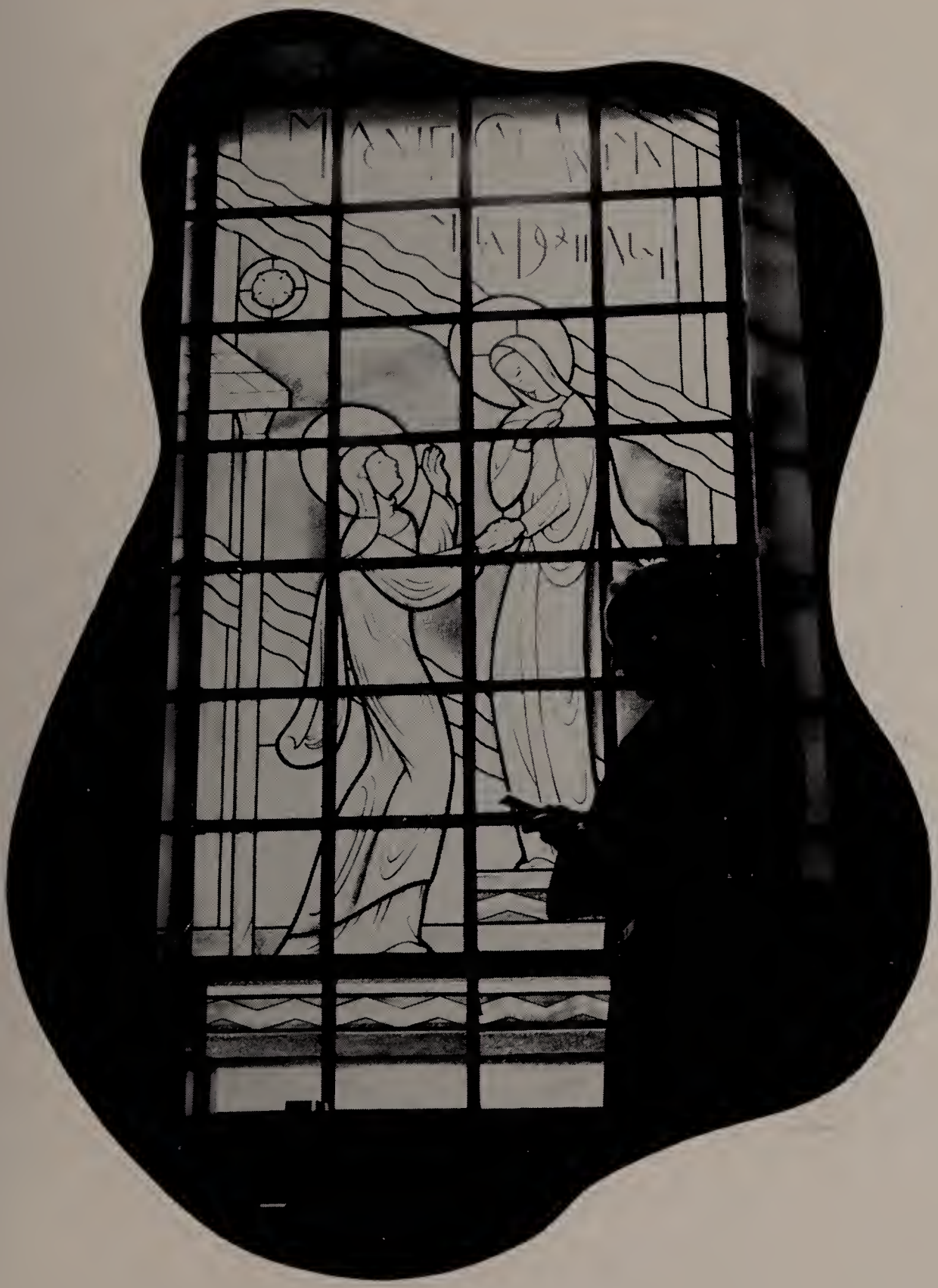


NOS PERES . . .

Rév. Père Henri J. Moquin, A.A.

MOT DU SUPÉRIEUR

Vous terminez votre cours d'école supérieure, un cours classique, bilingue et catholique. Par suite des âpres nécessités de la vie quotidienne vous oublierez probablement le latin et le grec avec leurs temps primitifs, vous oublierez des dates et des noms de l'histoire et de la littérature, vous oublierez des formules d'algèbre et de science—mais vous conserverez le souvenir des douces semaines écoulées au collège. Dans vingt, trente et quarante ans vous revivrez encore volontiers les menus détails de votre vie d'étudiants à l'Assomption.

Memini . . . Vous vous souviendrez de vos maîtres qui vous donnent sans hésitation, le meilleur de leur vie, afin de mieux préparer votre avenir. Vous vous souviendrez toujours de votre foi. Catholique, vous possédez la vérité. Vous coudoierez des gens aveuglés par de fausses philosophies. Restez fiers de votre titre d'héritiers du ciel. N'hésitez par de le revendiquer, ni de le proclamer. Vous possédez la lumière et la vie. N'en rougissez pas.

Vous vous souviendrez de votre héritage culturel et vous l'accroitrez. Possédant deux langues, vous vous êtes servis de ces deux clefs pour puiser dans le trésor de ces deux grandes cultures qui se complètent. Vous continuerez de le faire pour votre satisfaction personelle et aussi afin de pouvoir répandre plus abondamment autour de vous les bienfaits de votre héritage.

Vous conserverez vos bonnes habitudes de travail. L'athlète qui a subi un long entrainement en garde les traces toute sa vie. Des exercices méthodiquement suivis, vous ont inculqué des habitudes de serieux . . . dans le travail intellectuel. Vous les garderez toujours. Votre jugement en sera plus sur, vos pensées plus claires, et l'expression de vos idées plus précise.

Vous vous souviendrez, en resumé, que vous êtes des fils de l'Assomption et que dans la lutte de tous les jours vous devez rester fidèles à Dieu, à votre patrie, à votre langue et à votre Alma Mater.

Henri Moquin, A.A.

Père Armand H. Desautels, Ph.D.

Prefet des études et de discipline

LE PÈRE PRÉFET

Pour bon nombre d'entre nous l'histoire du Père Armand commence aux grands concours de Pâques qui ont précédé notre entrée à l'Assomption. C'est là que nous avons rencontré pour la première fois celui qui devait nous admettre à l'École Supérieure quelques mois plus tard. C'est grâce à son initiative que plusieurs bienfaiteurs nous ont favorisés de bourses scolaires.

Dès notre arrivée à l'Assomption le Père Armand s'est vivement intéressé à nos aventures diverses: d'un oeil vigilant il surveillait nos études, et s'il constatait de légères défaillances, vite il nous remettait par une visite amicale. C'est lui qui a fondé la Société d'Honneur, pour encourager et récompenser nos efforts.

Depuis deux ans le Père Armand cumule les charges de préfet spirituel, de préfet des études et de préfet de discipline dans la maison, dont il est pratiquement l'âme. À ces tâches vraiment ingrates et difficiles il fait preuve d'une patience et d'un devouement remarquables. C'est vingt-quatre heures par jour qu'il s'est dévoué pour nous.

Nous garderons du Père Armand le souvenir d'une amicale compréhension, de pardons généreux recouvrant nos fredaines, d'une sympathie large et confiante aux moments de détresse, d'une bonté paternelle et même maternelle à récompenser nos moindres efforts qu'il appelait "mérites".

Si nos "mérites" ont déjà produit des joies pendant nos années d'école supérieure, les vôtres, cher Père, commenceront à produire aussitôt après notre école supérieure.

DISCIPULUS DICIT

Que nos marques d'estime ont été clairsemées
Lorsque vous cultiviez notre jardin d'esprits;
Des roses avez cueillies, en nombre bien petit,
Au sein de l'églantier, par ronces étouffées.

En ce jour de parfum, sur vos traces effacées
Restera l'immortelle en place de l'oubli;
Si vous êtes passés sans attendre de fruit,
Vous fûtes les semeurs de fécondes pensées.

Dans la suite des classes il faut aller courant,
Former presque sans joie un tas de jeunes gens,
Et se fier que demain payera votre tutelle.

Cette juste espérance aura bientôt raison:
Le moment du départ nous compte votre zèle . . .
Pères, nous reviendrons, vous voir à la maison!

P. ODILON DUBOIS — Latin

"Labor improbuse omnia vincit." Telle est à juste titre la devise du P. Odilon d'après la tradition écolière; d'abord il la met en pratique, ensuite il nous l'applique. Grâce à lui nous sommes fortements retranchés dans les humanités latines; grâce à lui nous connaissons la valeur de l'effort personnel.

P. EMILE BROCHU — Catéchisme

C'est depuis la syntaxe que le P. Emile nous enseigne le catéchisme. Toujours il s'est montré à la hauteur de sa tâche, en particulier quand il lui fallut prouver le dogme. Qu'il réussit à nous prouver l'existence de Dieu malgré nos nombreuses objections, c'est un témoignage concret de sa patience.

P. ROSAIRE ST.-LAURENT — Français

Dans ses classes et nos organisations, en tout et partout, le P. Rosaire a consacré son énergie sans bornes à nous inculquer l'amour et l'esprit de la langue française; des notions d'ordre, de beauté et de perfection. Ses digressions sur la culture, les beaux-arts et l'orientation professionelle nous ont ouvert de nombreux horizons.

M. ROGER J. POULIN — Anglais

Après plusieurs mois d'hôpital militaire, M. Poulin nous arrivait en septembre dernier comme professeur d'anglais en versification. Dès ses premières classes son esprit de discipline et la vigeur de son enthousiasme conquirent l'estime de toute la classe. Au cours de l'année son prestige grandit avec la progression des jours.

M. VALMORE X. GAUCHER — Civics

M. Gaucher a mis sa verve désopilante et son expérience politique à nous enseigner la science du gouvernement. En toute sincérité nous pouvons dire que nous anticipons ses classes, et que nous réservions un acceuil chaleureux à ses conférences spéciales qui tenaient lieu de devoirs.

M. LUCIEN H. DESJARDINS — Physique

M. Desjardins, physicien éminent, professeur d'été à l'Université de Boston, nous a enseigné aussi la physique. Ses explications lucides nous ont rendu abordables les théories d'Archimède, de Pascal, de Boyle et autres. Il s'agissait pour nous de suivre un maître affable, compétent, dévoué, digne de confiance et d'estime.

P. HENRI MOQUIN — Chimie

Au cours du premier semestre nous avons apprécié son habileté à nourrir nos intelligences d'ingrédients chimiques. Sous sa direction les périodes de laboratoire devenaient de plaisantes excursions. — Au second semestre, M. Paul E. Plasse vient tout juste de le remplacer, mais nous n'avons pu nous procurer sa photographie avant l'impression du MEMINI.

P. ULRIC CHARPENTIER — Mathématiques

Une fraîcheur de jeunesse nous a rendu sympathique le professeur de mathématiques. Son vaste répertoire de plaisanteries fit souvent la gaité de ses classes d'ailleurs intéressantes. En outre, le P. Ulric nous a procuré maintes fois au cours de notre école supérieure les délices de sa musique

M. ALBERT CHAMPEAU — Grec

M. Champeau nous arrivait de Montréal en septembre dernier, pour enseigner en terre américaine. Nous avons apprecié en lui une application constante à nous faciliter la rude langue d'Homère, puis l'intérêt et l'encouragement qu'il apporta dans nos activités extrascolaires.

M. RAYMOND J. MARION

Histoire américaine

Ancien lieutenant des fusillers-marins, M. Marion, dès sa première année de professorat, sut gagner l'estime de ses élèves. Nous devons à son éloquence et à sa finesse de perception, d'intéressantes causeries et de justes appréciations sur l'histoire américaine. Nous lui souhaitons brillante carrière.

M. LOUIS T. M. DESCHENES

Histoire médiévale

M. DesChênes n'eut cette année qu'une poignée de versificateurs en classe; mais dans les années passées tous les gradués de '47 ont pu apprécier l'un ou l'autre de ses cours d'histoire. Toujours il a su nous intéresser par une vaste érudition et par la familiarité de ses enseignements.

P. LEO MARTIN — Directeur des sports

Si l'Assomption a gagné, ces dernières années, une position enviable dans le domaine des sports, c'est grâce au P. Léo, notre directeur au jeu. Notre souhait serait que dans l'avenir le succès récompense de plus en plus ses laborieux efforts.

P. LOUIS-ROBERT BRASSARD

Conseiller de classe

Nous l'avons eu comme préfet de discipline au cours de nos deux premières années; il nous est resté comme conseiller de classe cette année. A cette charge il contribua d'expérience à faciliter la réussite de nos entreprises. Nous lui devons merci pour la sagesse pratique de ses renseignements.

P. Paul Martel — Surveillant

Ce fut notre surveillant, ce fut un père pour nous. Il a connu parfois de nos fredaines, mais il peut croire en notre sincère affection. Ce fut un père d'indulgence, de dévouement, d'intercession, dont les petits conseils restent fort appréciés.

MAGISTER DICIT

(rondeau d'adieu)

Jeunesse tu me fais vieillir
Et regretter le cher plaisir
De te revoir assise en classe
À recueillir le temps qui passe.
Je garderai ton souvenir.

Si je contemple l'avenir,
Ton firmament semble rosir
Comme à la fin d'une brumasse,
Jeunesse.

Je sais, tu dois bientôt partir:
Il t'en reste encore à gravir . . .
Demain, toujours, quoi que tu fasses,
Que rien jamais ne te tracasse,
Et que Dieu daigne te bénir,
Jeunesse!

AU FIL DES JOURS

(sonnet de rêve)

L'esprit court à la plage,
À la mer des désirs,
Ou l'onde des loisirs
Apporte un doux mirage:

Esquisse d'une image
Au ciel profond d'avenir
Ou vient se réfléchir
L'idéal de chaque âge . .

La vie est comme l'eau,
L'âme est toujours coquette,
Et le miracle est beau,

Quand on est la vedette
De l'éternel tableau
Ou le ciel se reflète

Rév. P. Rosaire J. P. St. Laurent

CHAPITRE 3

. . . ET NOUS

SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS

seated: N. Coté, *V. Pres.*
M. Allaire, *Pres.*
P. Vigeant, *V. Pres.*

standing: R. Caron, *Sec.*
L. Darsigny, *Tres.*
K. Gauthier, *Tres.*
R. Pélletier, *Sec.*

RICHARD F. AIROLDI "Grande-Gueule, Dick"

561 So. Summer Street, Holyoke, Mass.

Talkative type: hence, the sobriquet "Grande-Gueule" . . . ardent intramural basketball player . . . "fussy" about his food . . . fiery cheerleader . . . unpredictable wit . . . originator of the famous "Airoldi-Gagnon No. 45 play" during sophomore days in room 10.

Honor Roll 1-2-4; Cercle St. Jean 3; Echo 3-4; Memini; Dramatics 4; Cheerleader 4; Telegram reporter 4; Class: Football 3-4; Basketball 2-3-4.

PAUL J. ALARIE

99 Hamilton Street, Worcester, Mass.

Week-end fiend (we wonder why?) . . . plans an engineering career . . . sunny, good-natured disposition, and brilliant wit . . . excellent orator . . . likes his own jokes as well as others . . . famous for his "tipsy acts" with Gauthier . . . always a co-operative classmate.

Treasurer 1; Memini.

MAURICE R. ALLAIRE "Gus"

380 Silman Avenue, Ferndale, Michigan

A classmate to be admired, a friend to be proud of . . . a born leader . . . carried the brunt of all class worries . . . friendly with all: from High School Freshman to College Senior . . . overwhelming generosity . . . fickle with women (ask "The Moon") . . . our indispensable class president.

Honor Roll 1-2-3-4; National Honor Society 3-4; President 4; Class President 1-2-4; Cercle St. Jean 3; Conseil 4; Memini: editor-in-chief; J.V. Basketball 3; Class: Football 1; Basketball 1-2-3-4.

RICHARD L. ARCHAMBAULT "Archie"

Woodstock Avenue, North Grosvenordale, Conn.

He's a "peaceable man" . . . tall and rawboned . . . outstanding center on jayvee despite physical impediments . . . remarkable memory for poetry . . . one of "the Brains" . . . a mirthful blend of Latin and Shakespearean puns . . . will someday chant "Ite, Missa Est."

Honor Roll 1-2-3-4; Cercle St. Jean; J.V. Basketball 3; Class: Basketball 1-2; Baseball 2-3.

ALPHONSE J. AUDET, Jr. "Al"

160 Loring Avenue, Salem, Mass.

Neat, tidy appearance . . . interesting, moderated conversation . . . the gentleman type . . . handwriting analyst . . . co-captain of football team . . . ski enthusiast . . . medicine or diplomacy?

Honor Roll; Class Vice-President 1-2-3; Monitor 3; Memini 4; Echo 1-2; Dramatics 3-4; Varsity: Football 2-3-4*; Track 1-2; Tennis 2-3; Hockey 4; Baseball 4; J.V.: Basketball 2; Class: Hockey 1-2-3; Basketball 1-3; Football 1; Baseball 1-2.

PHILIAS A. AUGER, Jr. "Phil"

115 Wood Avenue, Woonsocket, R. I.

Clear, sound thinker . . . cultured . . . reserved . . . always does "the right thing at the right time" . . . not as quiet as he may seem . . . an enviable classmate . . . his Franco-American zeal shall some day enrich the Assumptionist Order.

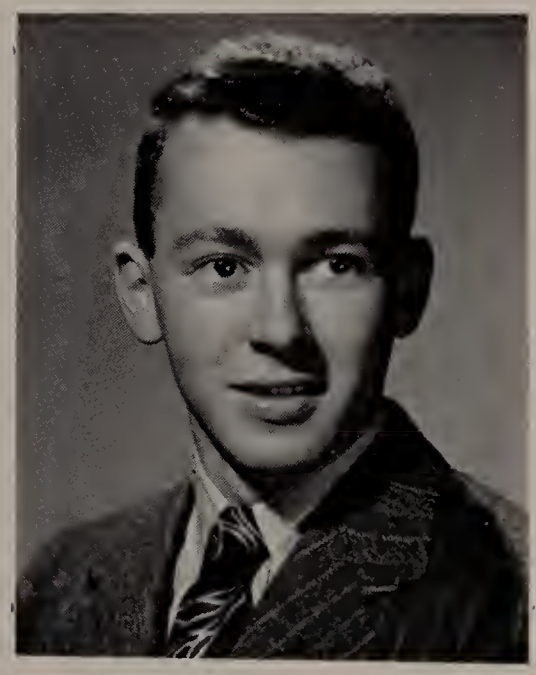
Honor Roll 1-2-3-4; Honor Society 4; Echo 2-3-4; Conseil 4; Ecole Apostolique; Memini; Dramatics 1-2-3; Football Manager 4.

LIONEL A. AYOTTE "Doc, Pop"

78 Chestnut Street, Bristol, Conn.

A serious-minded monitor . . . sensitive and sometimes moody . . . often goes on week end trips (home?) . . . gallant . . . witty (?) . . . the constant lover of our class.

Honor Roll 1-2-3-4; National Honor Society 4; Conseil; Monitor 4; Librarian 2-3-4; Class: Football 2-3-4; Baseball 1-2-3-4; Basketball 1; Hockey 2.



NORMAN D. BEAUSOLEIL "Curly"

255 Church Street, Putnam, Conn.

An expert with the women . . . a devoted supporter of the Sterno Canned-Heat Company . . . tight curly hair . . believes in going on week-ends for Terry's sake . . . one of Johnson's best customers.

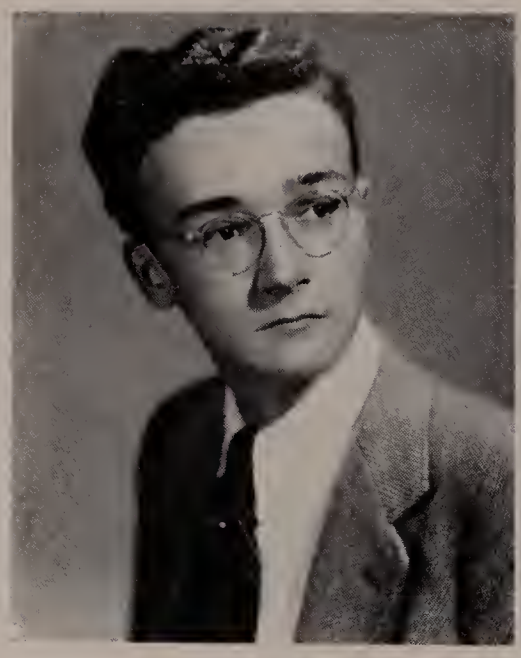
Varsity: Football 3; Class: Basketball 1-2-3.

GILBERT A. BELLEROSE "Gil"

No. Grosvenordale, Conn.

"The profile" . . . chemist . . . generous, friendly, and good-natured . . . sports fan . . . likes to keep his wave in place . . . D.D.S. hopeful . . . dry wit . . . argumentative . . . hard worker . . . one of the three inseparables.

Varsity: Baseball 3; Class: Football 2-3-4; Baseball 2-3; Hockey 2-3.

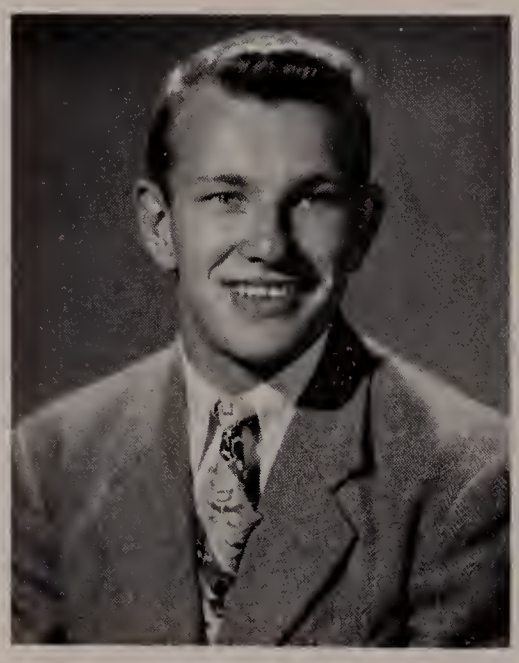


LUCIEN B. BENOIT "Benny"

27 Nursery Avenue, Woonsocket, R. I.

A "controversationalist" . . . mischievous character . . . a wolf in sheep's clothing . . . not over-honest on the handball court . . . imitator of Beatrice Kaye . . . amateur politician . . . never without a good book.

Class officer: Secretary 2; Dramatics 2-3; Memini.



ARTHUR E. BIENVENUE, Jr. "Eli, Welcome"

569 Belmont Street, Fall River, Mass.

All-around athlete, yawns even on the football field . . . idol of Assumption sports fans . . . future dentist . . . friendly and generous . . . another one of the three inseparables . . . happy-go-lucky nature . . . Gracie's rugged man . . . admirably modest.

Honor Roll 1; Class Treasurer 2; Varsity: Football 3-4; Basketball 2-3-4*; Baseball 2-3-4; Track 3-4; Class: Football 2; Baseball 1.

ROLAND P. BLAIS "Blaisie"

24 Gardner Avenue, Lowell, Mass.

Quietly studious . . . ardent card player . . . one of the main reasons why the Camel Tobacco Co. is paying more income tax this year . . . Laplante's shadow . . . eats slightly, talks less . . . rabid major-league baseball fan.

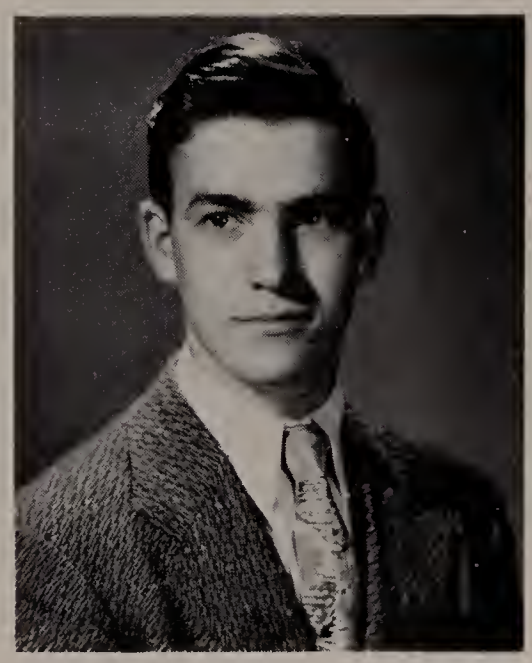
Cercle St. Jean 3; Honor Roll 1-2-3-4.

ROGER G. BOISVERT "Rog"

289 Coffin Avenue, New Bedford, Mass.

Co-captain of football squad . . . hard worker . . . exceptionally credulous . . . never can tell a joke twice in the same manner . . . very generous and good-humored . . . likes to sing "The Girl that I Marry" off key.

Honor Roll 1-2; Class officer 2; Varsity: Football 2-3-4*; Class: Football 1-2; Basketball 1-2-3-4; Baseball 1-2-3-4; Hockey 2.



RAYMOND A. BOLDUC "Napoleon, Ray"

20 Rogers Street, Indian Orchard, Mass.

Intelligent and studious . . . argumentative . . . generous . . . ticklish . . . faker . . . romantic . . . Napoleonic pretender . . . "geopolitician" . . . a Cremo (he wrote their theme song).

Cercle St. Jean; Dramatics 2.

RAYMOND J. BOSSE "Ray"

273 Kennedy Street, Fall River, Mass.

Four-letter man . . . perpetual tan . . . has performed extraordinary gastronomic feats . . . never wears a tie . . . best defensive and offensive center Assumption has ever had . . . looks to the priesthood.

Dramatics 4; Varsity: Football 3-4; Basketball 3-4; Baseball 3-4; Track 3; Class: Football 2; Basketball 2; Baseball 1-2; Hockey 1-2.

EDWARD G. CANUEL "Eddie"

323 Stafford Road, Fall River, Mass.

Known as "Gee Whiz, the boy with the 'snap-course'" . . . seldom speaks—much less out of turn . . . always studying Latin . . . flashy smile . . . dabbles in basketball . . . will someday don a cassock.

Cercle St. Jean 3-4; Class: Football 3-4.

ROGER P. CARON "Rog"

1030 Berkshire Avenue, Indian Orchard, Mass.

Mathematician extraordinary . . . witty . . . dreamer . . . mental telepathist with the women . . . well-dressed . . . daring . . . Cremo Club's "I don't care" boy . . . plays basketball for "The Midgets."

Class Secretary 3-4; Echo 4; Varsity: Tennis 2-3-4; Class: Football 3-4; Baseball 1-2; Basketball 1-2-3.

GASTON B. CHARBONNEAU "Charb"

260 Shaw Street, New Bedford, Mass.

Thin, fast, mosquito like . . . regular fellow . . . fun-loving . . . always ready to raise "Hades" . . . laughs with or at you . . . photogenic: pictures have been displayed by Kresge's in Worcester.

Orchestra; Varsity: Football 4; Class: Football 1-2-3; Basketball 1-2-3-4; Baseball 1-2-3.

NORMAND R. COTE "Norm, Cote"

9 Hobbs Avenue, Nashua, N. H.

"A leader of men, a follower of women" . . . a capable, devoted, and consistent leader . . . brilliant, versatile, and alert mind . . . wit and loquacity accentuated by a weird laugh . . . nothing ever worries him—except Ellie . . . vital personality: everyone's buddy . . . a future doctor (and husband).

Honor Roll 1-2-3-4; National Honor Society 3-4, Vice-President 4; Class President 1-2-3; Vice-President 4; Echo 3-4; Conseil 4; Memini 4; Dramatics 3-4; Varsity: Football 3; Basketball manager 2-3; Class: Football 1-2-4; Basketball 1-2-3-4; Baseball 1-2-3-4.

LEO P. DARSIGNY "Dars, Cass"

355 Worcester Street, Indian Orchard, Mass.

Studious . . . perambulating dictionary . . . argumentative . . . teaser . . . feminine try-hard . . . ex-possessor of Cass . . . skyscraper . . . intramural basketball star . . . another Cremo.

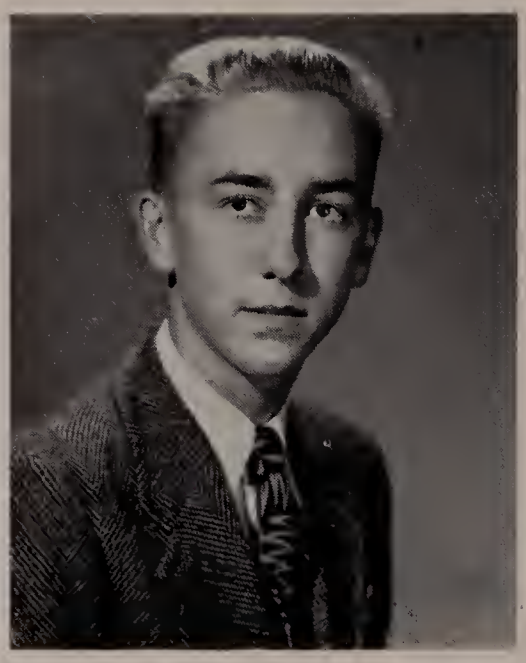
Honor Roll 1-2-3-4; National Honor Society 4; Conseil 4; Class treasurer 4; Varsity: Tennis 3-4*; Class: Football 1-2-3-4; Basketball 1-2-3-4.

ROLAND J. DESROSIERS "Dittie"

67 Elmwood Street, Fisherville, Mass.

Well-liked extern, our only contact with the outside world . . . mathematical genius . . . swears he will split the neutron . . . despises Latin . . . always sleepy . . . owns his own car, or reasonable facsimile.

Honor Roll.



JOHN P. DUFAULT "Doc, Johnny"

245 School Street, Athol, Mass.

The intern's mailman . . . always eager to help . . . scholastically serious . . . earnest, neat worker . . . surprisingly competent . . . an avid sports rooter . . . a jive fan . . . idol of many Athol women.

Honor Roll 1-2-4; National Honor Society 4; Conseil 4; Class Officer 1; Echo 1-2; Memini; Class: Football 2; Basketball 1-2; Baseball 1-2.

LUCIEN R. DUFORD "Duffy"

88 Glass Street, Suncook, N. H.

Six feet, two hundred pounds of manhood . . . gets "a big kick" out of Spike Jones' records . . . argumentative sports follower . . . full of laughs, yet he has his serious moments (not too many) . . . hopes to join the U. S. Marines.

Varsity Football 2-3-4; J.V.: Baseball 3; Class: Football 1-4; Basketball 1-2-3-4; Baseball 1-2-3-4

JOHN E. FARLEY "Gene"

114 Cutler Street, Watertown, Conn.

Stutters remarkably well . . . experienced in taking "open-book" exams . . . letter-a-day boy . . . week-end lover (when he gets his 75%) . . . moans about everything, especially food . . . has undecipherable handwriting, so he plans to be a doctor.

Varsity: Track 3-4; Class: Football 4; Basketball 4.

ROLAND L. FERLAND "Ro"

111 Butler Avenue, Central Falls, R. I.

Very friendly . . . studious . . . very, very generous . . .slight eater . . . quick-tempered in sports . . . "Lu's lamb" . . . athletic . . . has "high forehead" . . . a trifle absent-minded.

Honor Roll 1; Echo 4; Ecole Apostolique 1-2-3; Class: Baseball 1-2-3-4; Football 1-2-3-4; Basketball 2-3-4.

HENRY W. GAGNON "Le Brave, Hank the Tank"

31 New Park Street, Lynn, Mass.

Very friendly, and possessor of a pleasing personality . . . studious, seriously inclined . . . quite witty at times . . . eulogizes everyone but himself . . . easily moved (not physically) . . . Remembers "Cass" as his black spot . . . tries hard in intramural sports despite his large size.

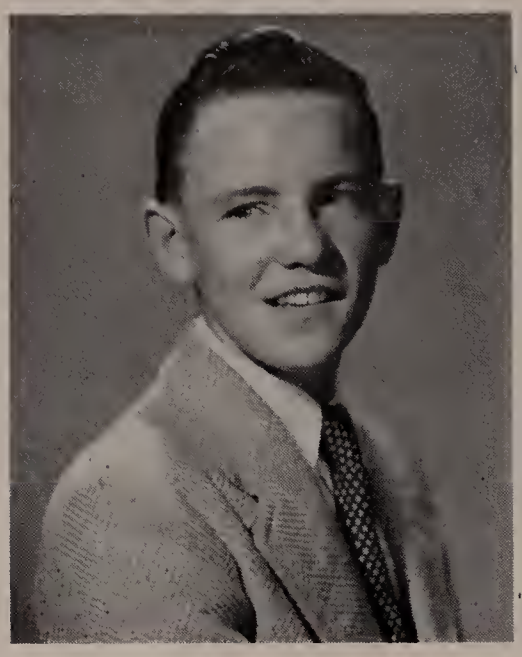
Honor Roll 1-2-3-4; National Honor Society 3-4; Class Treasurer 1; Echo-Editor 3-4; Conseil 4; Class: Football 3-4; Baseball 1-2-3.

GEORGE P. GAMACHE "Farmer"

1075 Riverside Avenue, Somerset Centre, Mass.

Rates high in intelligence . . . blushes readily . . . has original wit accompanied by a pleasant smile . . . "sérieux quand il le faut" . . . never worries about studying, yet always succeeds brilliantly . . . a future A.A.

Honor Roll 1-2-3-4; National Honor Society 4; Conseil 4; Ecole Apostolique 1-2-3-4; Varsity: Track 4; Class: Football 4.

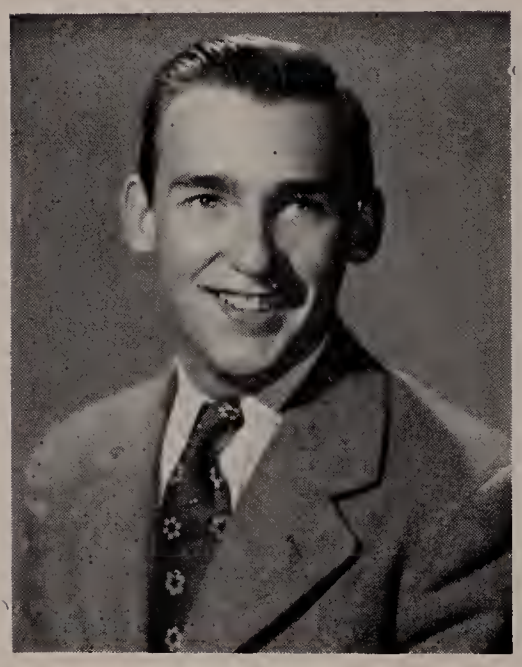


NORMAND A. GAUDET "Pete"

439 Elm Street, Woonsocket, R. I.

The spirit of the struggle against the overpowering Latin and Greek influence . . . takes an active part in all sports . . . replies to the charges of a bewildered dean with the mischievous, "I'm good . . . at heart" . . . a small boy with a big voice.

Varsity: Tennis 3-4; Class: Baseball 2-3-4; Football 3-4; Basketball 2-3-4; Hockey 2-3-4.



ROBERT J. GAUMOND "Gumps"

34 Dougherty Street, Waterbury, Conn.

Left-handed, but good hearted . . . never worries about a Latin quiz . . . nothing cheap about him . . . procrastinating nature . . . we have yet to find a card game he can't play . . . friendly toward all.

Class: Football 1; Basketball 1-2-3-4; Baseball 2-4.

KENNETH P. GAUTHIER "Ken"

17 Coburn Avenue, Worcester, Mass.

Tall, dark, and handsome . . . daringly adventurous . . . happy-go-lucky, (doesn't let school interfere with his good times) . . . admirer of, and admired by women . . . an earnest athlete . . . a typical boy.

Class Officer: Vice-President 2; Treasurer 1-3-4; Memini; Dramatics; Varsity: Basketball 4; Football 4; Baseball 4; J.V. Basketball 2-3; Baseball 3; Class: Basketball 1; Hockey 1-2; Baseball 1-2; Football 3.

ROBERT L. GAUTHIER "Bob"

23 Waters Street, Millbury, Mass.

Perpetual motion . . . study-hall dynamo . . . rose to fame as enactor of "bar-fly" roles . . . thinks Assumption week ends are dry . . . our ruddy-faced cheerleader . . . a laugh-a-minute when he's around.

Echo 3-4; Memini; Dramatics 4; Cheerleader 4.

GEORGE W. GILBERT "Shorty"

6 Upland Avenue, Webster, Mass.

Short, light, and appealing . . . continual joviality expressed by a dashing smile . . . eats, drinks, and sleeps mathematics . . . Duford and Gilbert: "the long and short of it all" . . . plans to take up engineering . . . we hate to see him go.

Class Officer: Secretary 3; Echo 3-4; J.V. Baseball 3; Class: Football 4; Basketball 1-2-3-4; Baseball 1-2-3-4.

MARCEL S. GILL "Gil"

208 Highland Street, Laconia, N. H.

The businessman of the hour . . . sociable, but not if mischief is involved . . . always has tickets to sell . . . interested in photography . . . finds time for intamural sports . . . his services were appreciated, but never rewarded.

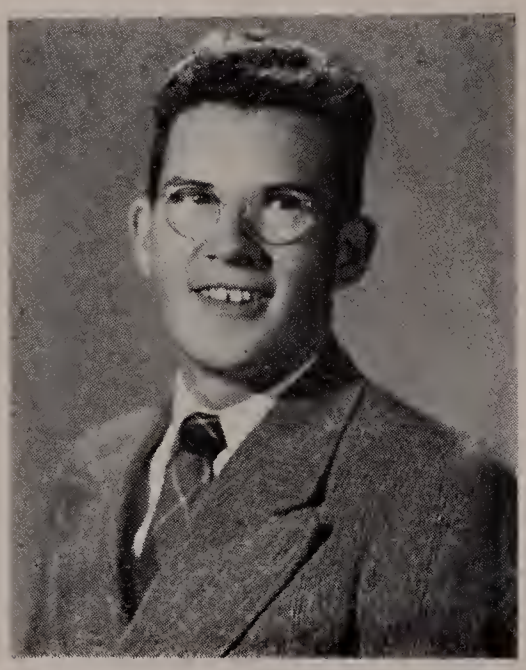
Class Treasurer 3; Echo 3-4; Memini; Dramatics 1; Varsity: Ass't. Manager 3; Manager 4; Class: Football 1-2; Basketball 1-2-3-4; Baseball 2; Hockey 1-2-3

MAURICE C. GOSSELIN "Gus"

57 Rockledge Drive, West Hartford, Conn.

Satirist with a boundless imagination . . . two hundred pounds of running-guard . . . impressive orator . . . trouble in Marlboro? . . . has covetable knack of breaking rules . . . plans a bridge-building career.

Honor Roll; Memini; Dramatics 3-4; Varsity: Football 2-3-4; Baseball 3-4; Hockey 4; Class: Football 1; Baseball 1-2; Hockey 1-2-3.



PAUL L. GREGOIRE "Greg"

86 Grave Street, Dover, N. H.

Well-behaved, a model to imitate . . . incorrigible Yankees' rooter . . . follows sports more than the sports writers do . . . shows signs of a few "silver threads" . . . a New Hampshirite, and proud of it . . . will wear a Roman collar.

Cercle St. Jean 3-4; Class: Football 1-2-3-4; Baseball 1-2-3.

LEO G. GRENIER

107 Princeton Street, New Bedford, Mass.

Argues day and night that there is no place like New Bedford . . . narrator of unbelievable stories . . . an expert at cards . . . enthusiastic intramural football player . . . shy, yet friendly.

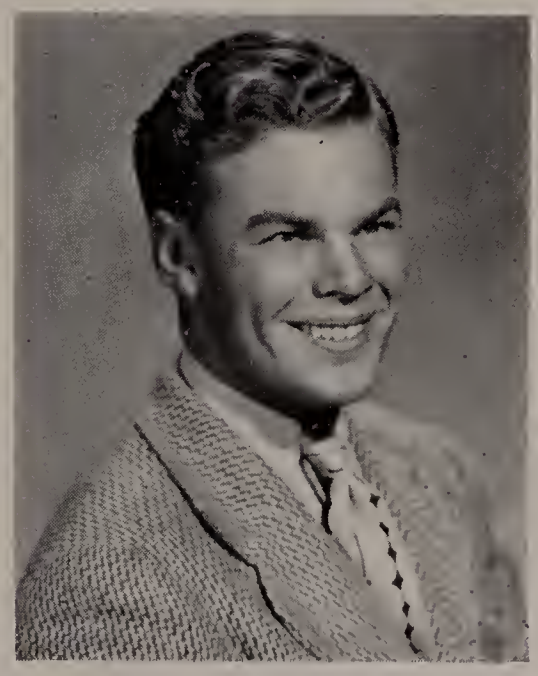
Class: Football 1-2-3-4; Basketball 1-2; Baseball 1-2.

GEORGE A. JARVAIS

20 Pequot Street, Indian Orchard, Mass.

Quiet, faithful friend . . . demure, well-dressed, sends the girls "ga-ga" . . . lover of sports, (home base—Ludlow!) . . . one of the few temperate members of the Cremo Club.

Monitor 2-3; Varsity: Football 3-4; Class: Football 2; Basketball 2-3-4; Baseball 1-2; Hockey 1-3-4.



ROGER E. LAFLAMME "Flam, Joe"

28 Sullivan Street, Manchester, N. H

Loved by all for his magnetic personality . . . has a shoulder-shrugging laugh (he's happy all over) . . . persistently argumentative . . . never does today what he can put off until tomorrow . . . apparently never shaves . . . his natural, witty self at all times.

Honor Roll 1-2-3; Memini; Varsity: Football 3-4; Track 1; Baseball manager 2; Class: Football 1-2; Baseball 3-4; Hockey 1-2-3-4.

ROBERT W. LAMOUREUX "Lammy"

535 Park Avenue, Woonsocket, R. I.

Where there's noise—there's Lammy . . . carefree, perpetually laughing . . . a dead-end kid . . . every prof's headache . . . delights in five cent novels . . . a sharp character . . . every woman's man, but loves only one (Oh Barbara!) . . . impersonates monitors . . . never without a new joke.

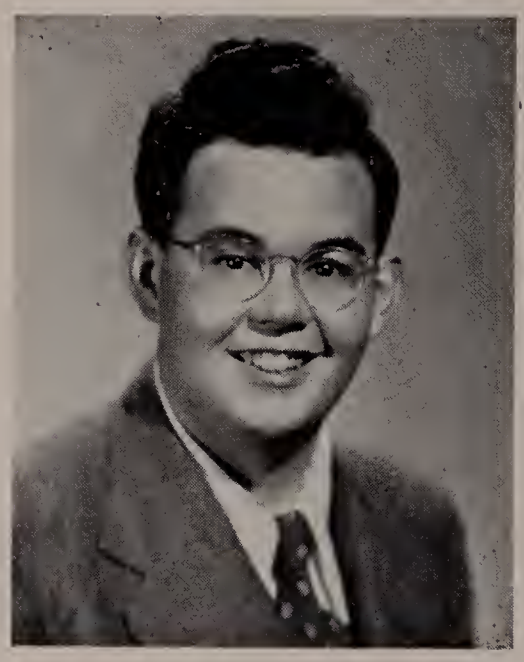
Class: Basketball 1-2-3-4; Baseball 1.

RAYMOND F. LANGEVIN "Ray, Legs"

136 Central Street, Gardner, Mass.

What a smile! . . . all-around athlete; makes up in "guts" what he lacks in experience . . . Marcelle's property; hands off, you women you . . . hard worker, especially in chemistry . . . handsome, but modestly shy.

Varsity: Football 4; Basketball 4; J.V.: Basketball 3; Baseball 3; Class: Baseball 1-2-4; Basketball 1-2-4; Football 1-2-3; Hockey 1-2.



JEAN GUY LAPLANTE "J.G., Fat"

48 Amey Street, Pawtucket, R. I.

As good natured as he is wide . . . reads voraciously . . . wants to be a successful doctor . . . shorthand enthusiast . . . always considerate of class' welfare . . . argumentative . . . "rapid-fire" speaker.

Honor Roll 1-2-3-4; National Honor Society 4; Conseil 4; Pamphlet Club; Echo 4; Memini; Class: Football 3-4.

ANDRE E. LAPRE "Andy"

57 St. Joseph Street, Fall River, Mass.

Andy, the friendly monitor . . . impeccable at all times . . . interested in classical music, good movies, and photography . . . a clean-cut fellow . . . a sparkling smile, and a boundless generosity.

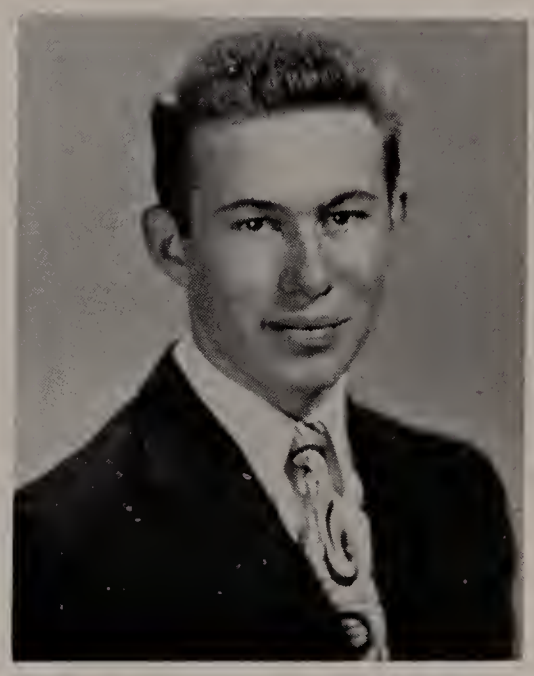
Cercle St. Jean 3-4; Monitor 3-4.

NORMAN P. LAROCQUE "Rocky"

111 Vine Street, Nashua, N. H.

Keeper of smiles and chuckles . . . great sports follower: has never let the Red Sox down . . . witty and carefree with boys, shy and embarassed with girls . . . always fondling his hair . . . makes little noise, except at basketball games.

Cercle St. Jean 3-4; Class: Football 2-3-4; Hockey 2-3-4.



JEAN CHARLES LAUSIER "Charlie, Maine"

P. O. Box 49, Presque Isle, Maine

Charlie, from Maine . . . a sportive southpaw . . . stutters when he is frustrated . . . a modest giant . . . never angry, except when he plays cards . . . interested in agricultural problems.

Varsity: Football 4; Class: Football 4; Basketball 2; Baseball 2-3-4; Hockey 2.

BERNARD A. LAVOIE "Piscis"

207 Leonard Street, Fall River, Mass.

Ceaseless assiduity . . . has grown in body as well as in mind since his freshman year . . . known in musical circles as "The Great Piscis Lavoiski" . . . always chewing gum . . . will strive toward the priesthood.

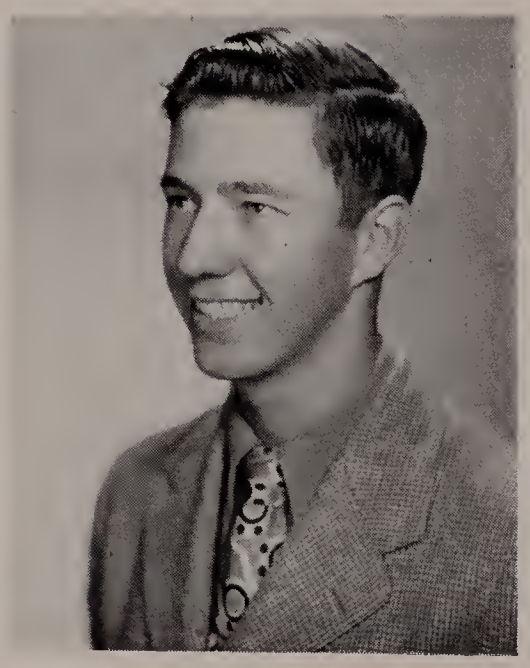
Orchestra 2-3-4; Cafeteria 3-4; Class: Baseball 1-2.

ROGER L. LEBLANC "Skippy"

114 Parker Street, Gardner, Mass.

The little man who gets everywhere . . . he lives around the radio . . . a judge of character (if looks be character) . . . enjoys arguing (especially with our French "prof") . . . collects records and humorous poetry.

Honor Roll 3-4; Memini; Echo 3-4; Varsity: Track 3-4; Class: Football 3; Basketball 2-3-4; Baseball 2-3.



ALCIDE R. LECLERC "Al, Sid"

107 School Street, Linwood, Mass.

Towering torso . . . collects post cards and pennants . . . likes to travel . . . a practical joker (crude, but effective) . . . hard-serving tennis player . . . argumentative in card games . . . music lover.

Orchestra 4; Varsity: Basketball 4; Tennis 3-4; J.V. Basketball 2; Class: Basketball 1-2-3; Baseball 1-2.

GILLES R. LEDUC "Gil"

127 Lanusbury Street, Waterbury, Conn.

Has hidden qualities of a leader . . . earnest worker . . . willing and reliable . . . minds his own business (rare quality here) . . . eagle-beaked nose . . . loves classical music . . . prefers manual to mental labor.

Cercle St. Jean 3-4; Dramatics 4.

GERARD L. L'ESPERANCE "Spes"

96 Salem Street, Worcester, Mass.

Has latent talents: pianist, artist . . . enjoys a good laugh (or is it a smile?) . . . "The bus was late, Mr. Poulin" . . . we hear he's a smooth dancer . . . allergic to public-speaking . . . amiably quiet, quietly humorous.

Cercle St. Jean 3-4.

RENE R. LEVESQUE

196 Smith Street, Fall River, Mass.

The meek and mild type . . . is stricken with "stage-fright" at the sound of the "Old Man's" voice . . . well acquainted with the effects of penicillin . . . deliberative card-player . . . Levesque and Canuel — an inseparable pair.

Cercle St. Jean 3-4; Class: Football 3-4; Baseball 2.

NORMAND L. LORANGE "Norm"

639 East School Street, Woonsocket, R. I.

Admirable sense of humor . . . faithful friend . . . very shy, taciturn, and sequacious . . . agreeable "taquineur" . . . perpetual gum-chewer and "butt-fiend" . . . has a very sour disposition towards the "Old Man."

Cercle St. Jean 3-4.

ROLAND W. MIVILLE

92 Cumberland Street, Manchester, N. H.

Serious, diligent worker . . . reservedly timid . . . jolly in his quiet way . . . accomplished pianist . . . favorite habitat: study hall . . . a friend to be cultivated.

Honor Roll 2-4; Cercle St. Jean 3-4.

JACQUES H. MORELLE "Jack"

704 Park Avenue, Woonsocket, R. I.

Always well-dressed . . . "Vanity Fair," never soils his hands . . . handsome, in a dignified way . . . invariably week-ending in Woonsocket . . . enjoys classical music.

Dramatics 4.

JOHN F. MORRISSETTE "Johnny"

14 Prince Street, Danielson, Conn.

Father Armand's English speaking Franco-American . . . cook of renown . . . never spent a week-end at school . . . always speaking about the Bunny he has at home . . . double-jointed contortionist . . . believes in chemical affinity for Johnson's . . . a likeable fellow.

Honor Roll; Memini; Dramatics 3; Class: Baseball 1.

ROMEO R. NADEAU "Blondie"

41 Main Street, Fort Kent, Maine

Quiet Casanova . . . a born outdoor man . . . expert diver . . . the sweetest trumpet that ever hit a high "C" . . . likes to sketch, play cards, and dance . . . will apply his abilities to the field of optometry.

Orchestra 3-4; Varsity: Baseball 3-4; J.V.: Basketball 3; Class: Basketball 1-2-3-4; Baseball 1-2; Football 3-4.

ANDREW A. NORMANDEAU "Andy"

768 Silver Street, Manchester, N. H.

"The Runts," Assumption's bad man . . . animated jive-record . . . mirthfully sarcastic . . . ornaments his conversation with facial expressions . . . perennial brush-cut . . . personality personified.

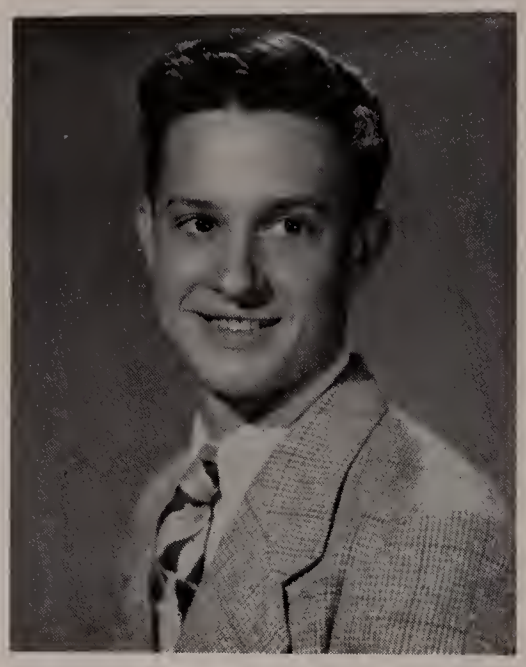
Class: Football 1-2-4; Basketball 1; Baseball 1-2.

ROGER E. PARENTEAU "Rog"

312 Hampden Street, Chicopee, Mass.

Our class valedictorian . . . even more generous than he himself is willing to admit . . . a magician and sleight of hand artist of considerable renown . . . track team hero (broad-jumping, his specialty) . . . his flame of friendship never flickered.

Echo 3-4; Dramatics 3; Varsity: Football 4; Track 3-4*; Class: Football 1-2-3; Hockey 1-2-3-4; Baseball 1-2-3-4.

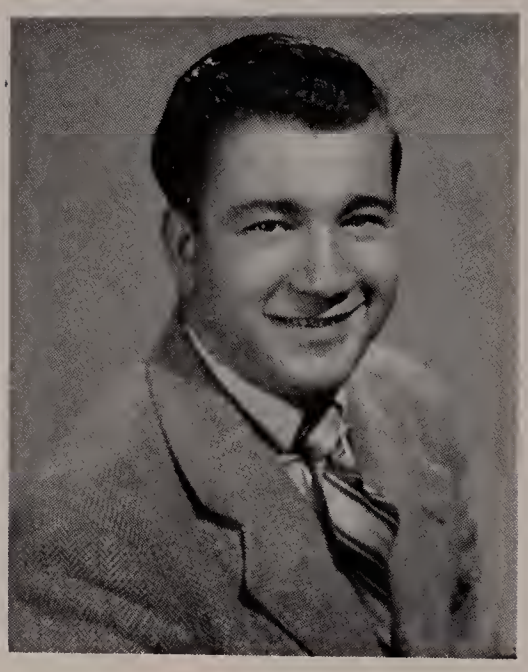


ROGER J. PELLETIER "Ti-coq"

276 Worcester Street, Indian Orchard, Mass.

Jovial and genial . . . happy-go-lucky . . . class dreamer . . . the life and lip of the "Cremo" quintet . . . equine follower . . . woman admirer (also follower) . . . our pious(?) Sacristan.

Class President 3; Treasurer 4; Sacristan 1-2-3-4.



NORMAND RONDEAU "Norm"

53 Reed Avenue, Woonsocket, R. I.

Talkative, but seriously so . . . a track man despite that waistline . . . luggage boy (he carries laundry bags) . . . likes to dance polkas . . . today, an amateur chemist; tomorrow, a skilled pharmacist.

Varsity: Track 3-4; Class: Football 2-3; Baseball 2-3; Hockey 2-3.

GEORGE P. ROY "Fat, Tiny"

24 Lafayette Street, Woonsocket, R. I.

"Tony Galento" mien . . . a loud arguer . . . obese and slightly phlegmatic . . . tank-gaited . . . always catching up on his sleep . . . a Woonsocketorian to the letter.

Class: Football 2; Baseball 1.

PAUL L. SAVARD "Sav, Savco"

635 South Main Street, Woonsocket, R. I.

"The cause of it all" . . . his brilliance in sports outshone his efforts in studies . . . popular, troublesome, and original (or is it unique?) . . . atomically energetic . . . gets all the tough breaks.

Class Officer: Vice-President 2; Secretary 3; Dramatics 4; Varsity: Basketball 3; Baseball 1-2-3; J.V. Basketball 2; Class: Basketball 1-4; Hockey 1-2-3-4.

RICHARD E. THERIAULT "Dick"

97 Leach Street, Salem, Mass.

Wide-eyed and always smiling . . . tries to make everyone as happy as himself . . . has hidden talents as an actor . . . mischievous in an inconspicuous way . . . a big fellow with a still bigger heart.

Vice-President 1-3; Cercle St. Jean; Dramatic 4; Class: Football 1-2-3-4; Basketball 1-2-3; Baseball 1-2; Hockey 1-2-3.

LAURENT H. THERRIEN "Larry, Terry"

30 Chassey Street, Putnam, Conn.

Front-office boy . . . a voice even St. Bernard's fans failed to drown out . . . always had an appropriate suggestion . . . his love affairs aroused Rosy's interest . . . never lacked co-operation.

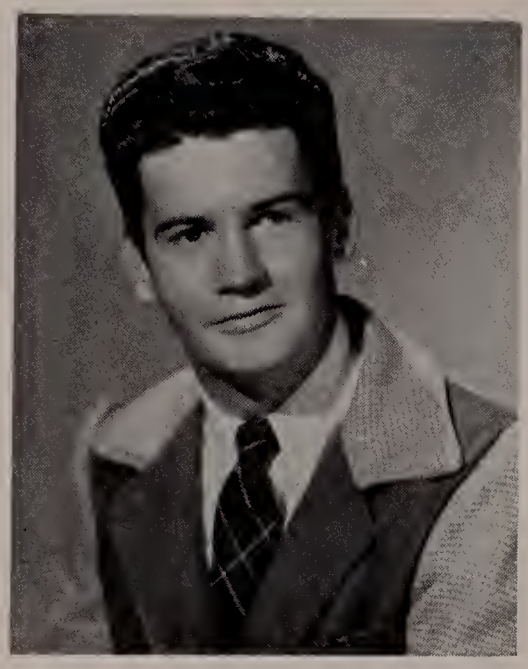
Honor Roll 1; Memini; Sacristan 1-2; Office 3-4; Varsity: Tennis 3-4; J.V.: Tennis 2; Class: Football 4; Basketball 2-3-4; Baseball 1.

CAMILLE THIBEAULT "Tib"

1 Salem Street, Nashua, N. H.

Staunch Nashuan, and he'll tell the world . . . sincere student . . . "C'est t'y beau!" . . . Caesarean forehead . . . vigorous in his attempts at oratory (voice like Walter Winchell's) . . . squints during his serious moments . . . a future "warrior in black."

Honor Roll 1-2-3-4; Cercle St. Jean 3-4; Dramatics 2; Class: Baseball 2.



JOHN C. TORMEY "Johnny"

28 Richards Street, Worcester, Mass.

Gentleman John . . . class artist: was always better at art than he was at blackjack . . . will we ever forget his "you guys just ain't hep"? . . . never missed his chance for a pun . . . has a passion for automobiles . . . wants a girl with brains.

Memini: Ass't Business manager, artist; class officer: treasurer 1; Vice-President 3; WTAG Radio Club 4; Class: Football 1; Basketball 1.

FRANCIS A. TOURNIER "F.A.T., Fat"

45 Winter Street, Pittsfield, Mass.

Highly prolific mind . . . "knows a lot about everything" . . . modest, pious, sincere, understanding, and argumentative . . . enjoys a good book, food, and conversation . . . likes to bite his neckties . . . a "Miles Christi," Maryknoller.

Honor Roll 1-2-3-4; Vice-President 3; Secretary 2; Treasurer 1; National Honor Society 3-4; Conseil 4; Cercle St. Jean 3-4 (Treasurer 4, President 4); Echo 3-4; Memini: assistant editor.

ALBERT G. VANVOOREN "Van"

Louisquisset Pike, R.F.D. #2, North Smithfield, R. I.

Where did he get that Irish temper? . . . he never walks, he springs . . . talks more often in his sleep than he does when awake . . . plays cards when he's not on the baseball diamond or the football field.

Honor Roll 1-2-3; Class: Football 1-2-3-4; Baseball 1-2-3-4; Hockey 1-2-3-4; Basketball 1-2.

RENE J. VIAU, Jr. "Vidy"

62 Pacific Street, Central Falls, R. I.

Human skyscraper . . . mathematical whiz . . . "the Voice" . . . class romeo . . . collects phone numbers (females) . . . Headmaster's headache . . . member of the three inseparables . . . nonchalant basketball and tennis star . . . interested in Putnam, Conn.

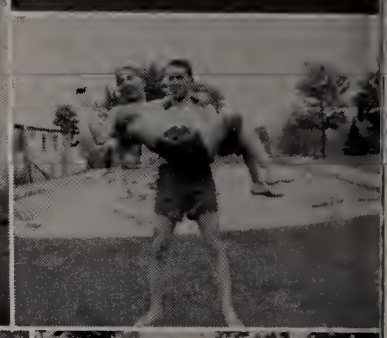
Echo: Typist 4; Memini: Typist; Dramatics 1; WTAG Radio Club 4; Varsity: Basketball 2-3-4; Tennis 1-2-3-4*; Class: Football 1-2-3-4; Basketball 1; Baseball 1-2-3-4.

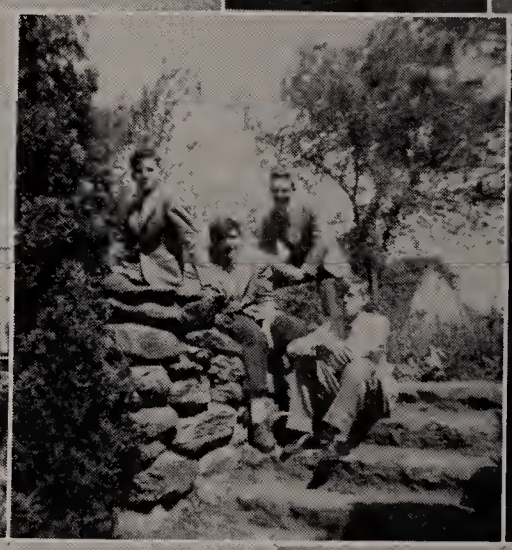
PAUL E. VIGEANT "Vig"

21 Grant Street, Marlboro, Mass.

Long, lean and lanky . . . seeker of authority and responsibility . . . wears his father's clothes more than his father ever did . . . bounces from one foot to another when nervous . . . smokes pipe: always has loose tobacco in his pockets.

Honor Roll 2-3-4; Class officer: President 2-3; Vice-President 4; Memini: business manager; Varsity: Track 1.





CLASS SUPERLATIVES

OFFICE	ELECTED	1st SUCCESSOR	2nd SUCCESSOR
All Assumption	N. Coté	M. Allaire	F. Tournier
Most likely to succeed	M. Allaire	N. Coté	P. Vigeant
Handsomest	R. Langevin	G. Jarvais	R. Viau
Most Popular	M. Allaire	N. Coté	P. Vigeant
Most Friendly	M. Allaire	N. Coté	G. Gamache
Typical Boy	A. Normandeau M. Allaire	K. Gauthier G. Gilbert	R. Bossé
Most Studious	R. Miville	F. Tournier	M. Allaire
All-around athlete	A. Bienvenue	R. Bossé	P. Savard
Woman hater	R. Miville	F. Tournier	G. L'Esperance
Did most for A.H.S.	M. Allaire	N. Coté	H. Gagnon
Noisiest	P. Savard	R. Lamoureux	R. Airoldi
Best-humored	P. Savard	G. Bellerose	N. Coté
Wittiest	R. Gauthier	R. Airoldi	A. Normandeau
Most bashful	R. Miville	G. L'Esperance	N. Lorange
Most pleasing personality	M. Allaire	N. Coté	P. Vigeant
Class romeo	R. Lamoureux	R. Viau	A. Normandeau
Best orator	H. Gagnon	L. Benoit	A. Normandeau
Best-dressed	R. Parenteau	G. Jarvais A. Lapre	J. Morelle
Most argumentative	G. Roy	R. Bolduc	J. G. Laplante
Quietest	R. Miville	G. L'Esperance	E. Canuel
Class actor	R. Gauthier	L. Benoit	R. Airoldi
Most generous	M. Allaire	G. Jarvais	N. Coté
Class midget	R. Leblanc	N. Gaudet	M. Allaire
Class giant	R. Viau	A. Leclerc	C. Lausier

Favorite sport:	Football	Most-liked teacher:	Marion
Favorite Course:	Chemistry	Typical teacher:	Marion

CHAPITRE 4

ACTIVITIES

Assis: G. Gamache, F. Tournier, J. G. Laplante.
Debout: R. Auger, L. Ayotte, N. Coté, R. Ouellette, H. Gagnon,, L. Darsigny, J. Dufault, N. Gauthier, R. A. Poirier, M. Allaire.

SOCIETE NATIONALE D'HONNEUR

La Société Nationale d'Honneur existe depuis 1945 à l'École Supérieure de l'Assomption. Cette société se propose de répandre l'honneur sous toutes ses formes par l'exemple et le ministère de chefs. Les membres y sont élus d'après leur personnalité, leur caractère, leurs études et leurs services rendus, par la faculté réunie en conseil à la fin de chaque semestre.

Par une initiative des P.P. Marcellin Parent et Rosaire Saint-Laurent, directeurs de la société, une grandiose manifestation au gymnase marquait en février dernier la montée à l'honneur de six aspirants de la classe de '47:

Philias A. Auger, Jr., Lionel A. Ayotte, Léo P. Darsigny, Jean-P. Dufault, George P. Gamache et Jean-Guy Laplante. Ils venaient se joindre aux quatre membres du premier semestre: Maurice R. Allaire, Normand R. Côté, Henri W. Gagnon et Francis A. Tournier, Jr. À cette même cérémonie furent initiés trois méthodistes: Normand P. Gauthier, Robert D. Ouellette et Roger A. Poirier.

Au second semestre, ce groupe se livra à des activités variées. Dans leurs réunions bi-hebdomadaires, les sociétaires envisagèrent les problèmes écoliers au point de vue de l'honneur personnel et social. Ils prêtèrent leur concours au système d'honneur appliqué par "mérites et démérites". Et d'une façon constante et générale, ils marchèrent à la conquête de l'honneur par la probité et le travail.

Nous souhaitons vivement que la Société Nationale d'Honneur grandisse en influence pour le plus grand bien de l'École Supérieure de l'Assomption.

L'ECHO

L'Echo de 1946 a connu de véritables succès littéraires dont la presse étudiante a fait mention en plusieurs circonstances. Ce fut "l'écho" de la cité dont la répercussion fidèle apportait chaque mois aux élèves, une trille de joie, sonore, vibrante, et colorée. Chacun trouvait le compte de son esprit à parcourir l'abondante variété de nos colonnes: articles de formation, de culture, de repos intellectuel . . . reflets de la vie scolaire à l'étude comme au jeu . . . accompagnés de lumière sur les principaux évènements du grand monde. L'Echo nous a inventé sur place le moyen pratique d'aviser nos esprits contre la masse de ces "paniers-à-papiers" où l'on jette sans ordre et sans respect toutes les nouvelles des dernières vingt-quatre heures.

Ce fut notre plus grand plaisir d'apporter à notre Echo "46", la contribution de nos derniers et de nos meilleurs talents, en reponse à la consigne d'idéal qui nous guidait. Rien de banal, de vulgaire, ou de négligé, mais de perfection en forme comme il convient à l'élite conquérant des valeurs primordiales! L'Echo nous est apparu comme le prolongement actuel de l'histoire, la petite histoire mensuelle ou devait se cristaliser dans nos plus beaux faits et gestes la mystique de notre vie étudiante.

Oui, Echo "46", tu resteras de nos immortels souvenirs par la fierté que tu nous inspire.

L. P. B.

Assis: R. Parenteau, H. Gagnon, R. Airoldi.
Debout: G. Gilbert, N. Coté, M. Gill, F. Tournier, P. Auger, R. Gauthier.

1ère rangée: P. Picard, P. Provencher, Père Odilon Dubois, G. Bousquet, N. Auger.
2ème rangée: G. Blackburn, D. Gélinas, R. Morrissette, J. Martin, A. Fortier.
3ème rangée: T. Fortier, R. Guilmain, J. Loiselle, W. Dubois, G. Cantin.
4ème rangée: R. Tremblay, R. Lacroix, J. Viau, P. Auger.
5ème rangée: G. Gamache, N. Colette, R. Perreault, N. Meiklejohn, E. Pollender.

ECOLE APOSTOLIQUE

"Que faites-vous dans vos réunions mystérieuses?" nous demandent souvent les petits et les grands.

Des réunions mysterieuses! je ne dirais pas celà puisque vous en constatez le fruit tous les jours dans la maison. Qui n'a pas vus au moins un père ou un frère à la chapelle, en classe, en étude ou ailleurs depuis son séjour à l'Assomption. Eh bien les réunions consistent à étudier ce qu'est la vie religieuse de l'Assomption. C'est pourquoi le Père Odilon nous parle une fois par semaine de l'Assomption, sa fondation, sa vie et ses oeuvres, pour mieux développer en nous le germe de la vocation religieuse assomptioniste. Voilà l'École Apostolique.

Depuis sa fondation en 1935 l'École Apostolique n'a conduit à l'autel qu'un seul père de l'Assomption. Parmi les membres actuels nous comptons deux finissants de l'École Supérieure; six de nos confrères verront le noviciat en juillet; et une dizaine de ses anciens membres poursuivent leur philosophie ou leur théologie.

En dehors des réunions, les membres de l'École Apostolique s'entrainent à l'esprit de sacrifice et de dévouement par leur collaboration au maintien de la propreté dans la maison.

Ainsi, grâce à l'École Apostolique nous serons déjà initiés à la vie religieuse quand sonnera pour nous l'heure du départ pour le noviciat.

CERCLE ST. JEAN

Sans éclaires, ni tonnerres, le Cercle St. Jean continue de proposer à notre jeunesse le sacerdoçe du Christ.

Jusqu'à cette année le cercle reservait ses directions aux aspirants des classes supérieures: méthodes, versification, et collège. Pour grandir sa sphère d'action aux classes inférieures afin de ne laisser personne de côté, voici deux groupes respectivement ouverts: A) au college et à la versification; B) aux méthodes, syntaxes et élements. Chaque groupe se repartissent les vocations à la prêtrise avec leurs propres officiers.

A. Président du groupe senior: Francis Tournier
   Vice-Prés., séc., trésorier: Gilles Leduc

B. Président du groupe junior: Maurice Bellenoit

Sous la sage direction du R.P. Thomas, chaque groupe se réunit une fois par semaine, soit pour aborder les cadres du sacerdoçe, soit pour méditer sur le Saint Sacrifice de la messe.

Par differents moyens en son pouvoir le Cercle St. Jean tâche d'intéresser les élèves à l'effort missionaire. Dans les salles de récréation des boîtes recueillent les aumônes dites "Pour les Missions". Des soirées récréatives, organisées par diverses classes promettent au même but la somme approximative de $200.

Gloire à Dieu par la bonne volonté de nos entreprises et l'éclosion de nombreux sacerdoçes.

R. M.

1ère rangée: R. Lévesque, L. Benoit, A. Lapré, P. Grégoire, F. Tournier, R. Therriault, C. Thibault, E. Canuel, N. Lorange, G. Leduc.

2ème rangée: R. Gagnon, M. Belenoit, P. Amyot, C. Dufault, L. Charpentier, N. Cabral, N. Deroy, R. Downey, M. Cloutier, M. Surette, H. Jolly, J. Casaubon.

3ème rangée: F. Duval, A. Charland, A. Gariepy, N. Bourdeau, L. Richards, P. Poisson, R. Jean, R. Dion, R. Raiche, A. St. Onge, R. Laliberté.

4ème rangée: N. Vaillancourt, G. Berthiaume, J. Grenier, D. Girouard, A. Ouimette, D. Laplante, D. Morrissette, J. Avery, R. Grondin, E. Gautreau.

Assis: G. Leduc, P. Auger, M. Allaire, F. Tournier, N. Coté.

Debout: L. Benoit, R. Laflamme, M. Gill, R. Airoldi, K. Gauthier, P. Vigeant, J. Tormey, J. Dufault, J. Morrissette, P. Alarie, L. Therrien, R. Gauthier.

Quatre ans d'Assomption,
Heureux séjour de joie,
Doux printemps de jeunesse!
L'Alma Mater nous gardera
Ces souvenirs d'amitié,
De labeurs et de difficultés vaincues.
Une fois dans la vie
Nous revivrons par la mémoire
Les heures de la classe de '47.
Pour éviter que le vent
Ne les disperse
En ombres folles
Ils recueillent déjà
Dans les pages de cette couverture
Pour ne plus désormais vieillir . . .
MEMINI! "Je me souviens".

MEMINI · 47

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CHAPITRE 5

ATHLETICS –

SCOREBOARD

Assumption		Opp.
7	Millbury	0
6	St. Peter's	6
27	Murdock	6
7	Mary Wells	6
0	Putnam	12
26	St. Mary's	0
6	St. Bernard's	6
13	Marionapolis Junior College	32

Coach: GEORGE E. SHERRY
Co-captains: AL AUDET and ROGER BOISVERT

Two weeks before the regular opening of classes Assumption was invaded by the football team, arriving for the first pre-season practice of its young (three years) existence. Calisthenics, passing and kicking drills, live tackling, hitting the tackling dummy and charging machine early crippled the boys into physical condition, so that upon the regular opening of classes, on the 23rd of September, they were well conditioned for the coming campaign. The team gained valuable experience scrimmaging against St. John's and Shrewsbury High Schools in the pre-season workouts.

The Little Greyhounds opened their 1946 season with an encouraging 7 to 0 victory against Millbury High on the opponent's gridiron. In the following tilt, Assumption was deadlocked in a 6 to 6 tie with St. Peter's, our longtime arch-rivals. The game ended with the Blue and White in possession of the ball on her opponent's two yard marker. Murdock High of Winchendon fell to a 27 to 6 defeat at the hands of the Greendalers at Rodier Field,

Seated: Co-captains R. Boisvert and Al Audet.
1st row: Manager P. Auger, P. Tremblay, P. Bonvouloir, G. Charbonneau, R. Laflamme, G. Jarvais, M. Gosselin, J. Lausier, A. Bienvenue, R. Parenteau, K. Gauthier, R. Langevin, R. Bosse, N. Deroy, L. Bernier, G. Vermette, Manager R. Ouellette.
2nr row: Coach George Sherry, R. Gauthier, N. Laplante, N. Renquin, R. Sokolowski, G. Grise, C. Tasse, G. Cantin, R. Proulx, M. Bellenoit, R. St. Louis, R. Delanoy, A. Ferron, G. Ouellette, P. Plourde, A. Flebotte, R. Brodeur, L. Danis, R. Poirier, A. Giard.

and Mary Wells followed suit to the score of 7 to 6. The Little Greyhounds lost the next game, their first defeat of the season, to Putnam High of Connecticut 12 to 0. Out to avenge its only defeat thus far, Assumption downed the spirited St. Mary's High of Milford 26 to 0. In the next game the Greendalers again battled to a 6 to 6 deadlock, this time with St. Bernard's of Fitchburg. The power-housed Marionapolis Junior College, handed the Little Greyhounds their second defeat, 32 to 13, in the last game of the season.

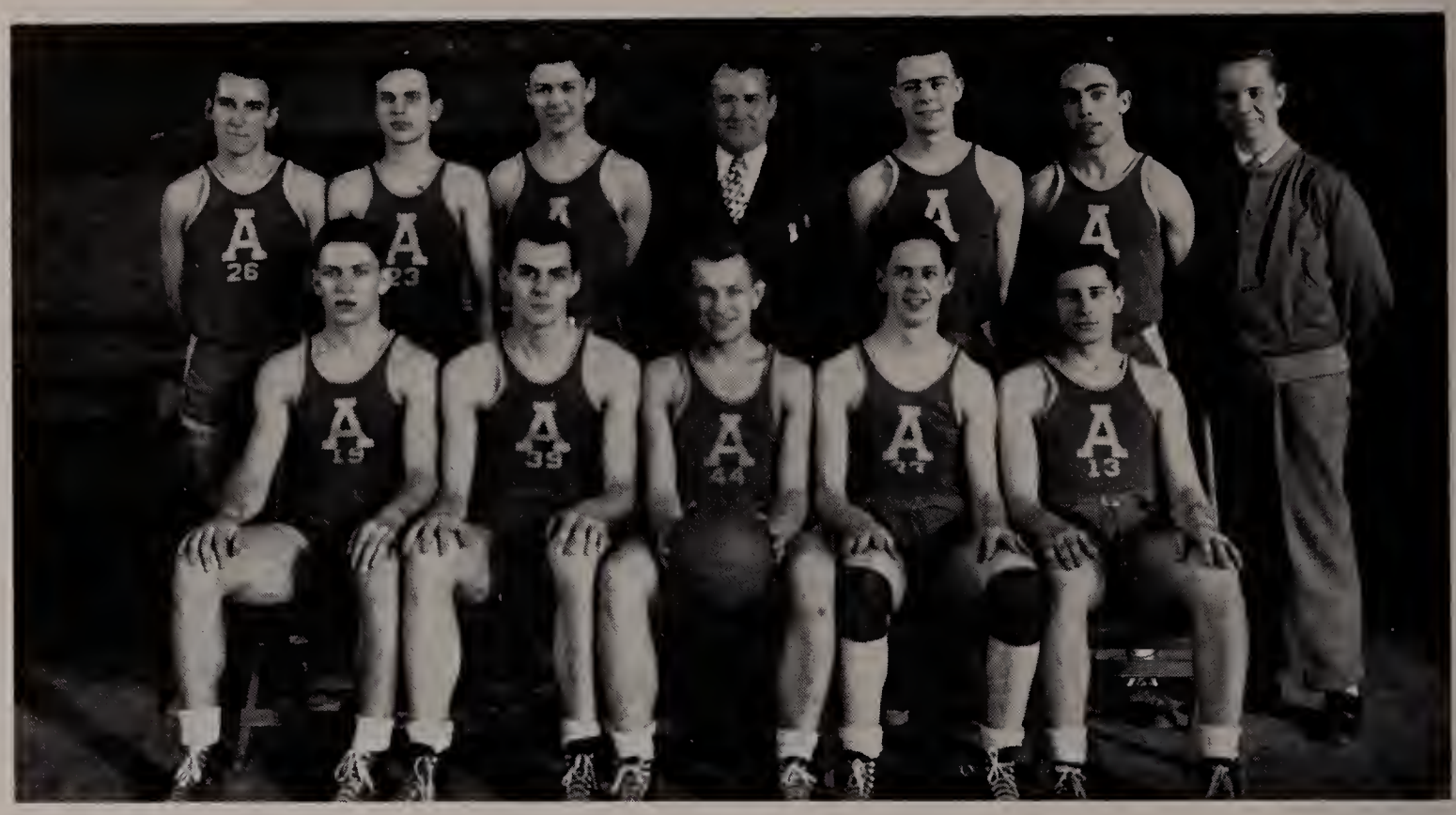
While the football team played as a smooth-clicking unit in all the games, one player deserves much credit. If, offensively, Assumption had such a good record, it is due in great part to the ability of "All-City" right-half back "Eli" Bienvenue, who amassed 38 of the total 92 points scored during the season. Great praise also goes to co-captain Al Audet, whose brilliant running, powerful blocking and tackling were assets to many a victory. Of a less spectacular nature, yet nonetheless valuable defensively, were center Ray Bosse's hard and deadly tackles, along with guard "Gus" Gosselin's outstanding defensive line playing. Bosse received an Honorable Mention on the "All-City" eleven, for his yeoman's work backing up the line.

Team Record:

4 Victories, 2 Defeats, 2 Ties
Scored 92 points to the opponents' 68

Individual Scoring Record:

Bienvenue 38, Audet 13, Brodeur 12, Ouellette 12, St. Louis 8, Parenteau 7, Proulx 1, and Jarvais 1.



Seated: R. St. Louis, R. Viau, A. Bienvenue*, E. Brassard, A. Ferron.
Standing: E. Flibotte, G. Lebel, R. Langevin, coach George Sherry, K. Gauthier, R. Bosse, manager R. Rivest.

BASKETBALL

A streak down the floor! a tap in! the final whistle!—it was all over!! The Little Greyhounds had finally come through! Our hearts were bubbling with pride and joy, that night of March 19, 1947, as we witnessed our hard-working classmates' 32-27 play-off triumph over a terrific Saint Bernard's High School five. We had reason to be happy; for those 5 slim points had brought Assumption its first Central Massachusetts Catholic League Championship.

Laurels and our heart-felt gratitude to George E. Sherry, mentor and heart of our hoopsters. His untiring efforts piloted the team to the crown . . . never can we thank him enough!

With an all-around record of 14 wins, 9 losses, our Little (six-footers all) Greyhounds piled up an impressive 10-2 Catholic League season total, while dropping all but one of their non-league tilts.

Catholic League fans thrilled to a rough and tumble fight during the entire season. Early in the league race, St. Bernard's High gained possession of the top rung by virtue of a 37-27 heart-breaker over Assumption in the Fitchburg gym. But after the Bernardians lost to a spirited St.- Louis quintet, Assumption jumped to first place by defeating St. Bernard's 31-30 in the most thrilling game ever played in our gym. The final play-off tilt on March 19 was necessary after our arch-rivals of the court, St. John's High, sent us reeling 43-33.

Meanwhile, in its first post-season starts, the Blue and White traveled to Boston to play in the New England Catholic League tourney. Faced by a much more experienced squad from St. Raphael's Academy of Pawtucket, R. I., Assumption was downed in the opening round of the tourney —but not without showing evidence of excellent fighting spirit.

SCOREBOARD

A.H.S.		OPP.	A.H.S.		OPP.
37	SOUTH	49	39	SAINT LOUIS	30
46	SACRED HEART	33	28	DAVID PROUTY	42
35	SAINT LOUIS	30	31	SAINT BERNARD'S	30
36	DAVID PROUTY	56	54	SAINT MARY'S	37
38	SAINT PETER'S	27	40	MARY E. WELLS	28
38	SACRED HEART	20	33	SAINT JOHN'S	43
36	SAINT JOHN'S	25	33	SAINT RAPHAEL'S	50
40	SAINT MARY'S	36	49	GARDNER	39
27	SAINT BERNARD'S	37	39	SAINT MARY'S (Waltham)	35
17	NORTH	32	48	NASHUA	55
46	SAINT PETER'S	20	32	SAINT BERNARD'S	27
32	CLASSICAL	33			

Later, our busy hoopsters were host to seven other high schools from all over New England, invited to Assumption's first "Annual Invitation Tournament" sponsored by the College. They battled their way to the finals by careening over Gardner High 49-39, and tripping St. Mary's High of Waltham 39-35. In undoubtedly the best-played game of the season, the opposing finalist, Nashua (N. H.) High captured the championship trophy, by dropping the Greyhounds 55-48. The Blue and White earned the runner-up slot, while a consolation game trophy was awarded to the popular St.Mary's team.

The Greyhound line-up was studded with many stars, the most brilliant of whom was Rene "Vidu" Viau, 6'4" forward who rammed home a total of 247 points in 23 games. Captain "Eli" Bienvenue, "Lefty" Brassard, "Al" Ferron, "Rol" St. Louis were a threatening combination. Other big guns were seniors "Ken" Gauthier, "Ray" Bosse, and "Ray" Langevin.

The team deserves every particle of credit heaped upon them. They played hard, long, and victoriously. The class of '47 will never forget them. May A.H.S. enjoy many more "championship" seasons!

Sitting: Coach George Sherry, A. Archambeault, J. Picard, A. Bonvouloir, G. Levesque, Y. Dubois, F. Joseph Pelletier, ath. Dir.
Standing: R. Picher, G. Leblanc, L. Veaudry, R. Vigeant, R. Miller, F. Dufault, M. St. Sauveur, K. Laprade, J. Valois, G. Gaucher, Mgr. C. Martel.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

This year saw not only a banner season in high school basketball but also witnessed the return of our "big brothers" in college to varsity competition. After a five year lapse during the war years, the College returned to court play in '47 under the well-liked mentor, Mr. George Sherry. Although the team was definitely young and unexperienced in college tactics, they emerged from the season with a far better record than was expected. As the season ended, the books read 5 wins and 8 losses.

Pacing the Greyhounds during the season were high-scoring co-captains Armand "Buts" Bonvouloir and Johnny Picard. Also outstanding were Bernard "Archie" Archambeault, Gilbert "Fat" Levesque, former captain of the high school varsity, and Yvon "Beans" Dubois. Most of the squad members are freshmen, including Jean Valois, captain of the '46 high school hoopsters; Ken Laprade and Marcel St. Sauveur both starring members of the '46 squad.

Certainly the fellows are to be commended for their fine teamwork and their "do or die" spirit which they maintained in every game—win or lose.

SCORES:

	Ass.	Opp.		Ass.	Opp.
Assumption at Fort Devens	46	64	New England C. at Assumption	84	48
Clark at Assumption	38	46	Norwich U. at Assumption	53	66
Suffolk U. at Assumption	89	30	Upsala Col. at Assumption	43	56
Fort Devens at Assumption	60	51	Assumption at St. Anselm's	46	98
St. Anselm's at Assumption	57	107	Assumption at Lowell Textile	40	44
Lowell Textile at Assumption	76	54	Assumption at Clark	51	66
Assumption at New England C.	53	20			

BASEBALL

As soon as the basketball togs were "put into moth balls" for another season, baseball bats and balls were "yanked out" of dusty lockers, and sports enthusiasts turned to Rodier Field—it was spring training for the baseball team!

On a yet soggy field, the largest turnout of baseball candidates ever seen at Assumption limbered up under the watchful eye of coach George Sherry.

After several weeks of practice, the coach discovered a plentiful supply of crack fielders (Archie Archambeault, Rene Dube, Paul Savard, Eli Bienvenue, Rol St. Louis) but, unfortunately, a doleful lack of pitchers. Surely the Greyhounds had two dead-eye, sure-fire hurlers in "Flash" Blais (one of the city's best), and "Lefty" Gaudreau, but these were left without sufficient relief.

The team's batting skill, however, whittled down this handicap, and they "hit the fences" enough to end the season with only a few defeats in eight starts. (Unforeseen circumstances make it impossible for us to give you the exact scores and records of the games.)

Our hopes are high for another successful season—come May—since only a few of the team's first-stringers will be missing from the '47 line-up.

1st row: R. Lefebvre, G. Gauthier, M. Gosselin, coach G. Sherry, P. Savard, B. Archambeault, R. Nadeau.
2nd row: C. Gaudreau, R. Bosse, R. St. Louis, R. Dube, A. Larrivee, R. Hamlin, mgr. E. Bessette.
3rd row: C. Jordain, E. Doiron, A. Bienvenue, G. Bellerose, A. Breault, Batboy R. Gauthier.

1st row: D. Julien, G. Gaucher, G. Vermette, G. Leblanc, coach Roland Guilmain, R. Poirier, L. Danis, R. Methot, D. Gelinas.

2nd row: Manager M. Gill, G. Magnant, J. Farley, C. Tasse, D. Gauthier, L. Breton, N. Gauthier, manager E. Paradis.

3rd row: N. Rondeau, R. Parenteau, N. Deroy, R. Deslauriers, R. Bosse, R. Leblanc, N. Bourcier.

4th row: A. Bienvenue, R. Chagnon, K. Laprade, R. Tremblay, R. Lafond, R. Vigeant.

TRACK —

In the echoes of cracking baseball bats and whizzing balls, Assumption's 2 year-old track team, made up of some twenty fleet-footed athletes, "sweated it out" in strenuous calisthenics, "shaping up" for a hopeful season. When the season came, it was (however short) totally successful!

Under the expert guidance of their young and brilliant coach, Roland "Rusty" Guilmain, the track team literally ran its opponents into the cinders. Winning all of their meets by decisive scores, the Little Greyhounds lived up to their name—with a vengeance. Not only did they amass 191½ points to their opponents' 41½, but, as further proof, they captured 20 first places to the opposition's 7. Due in great part to the outstanding performances of versatile Roger Parenteau, captain-elect for the 1947 season, captain "Gil" Leblanc, leggy "Gus" Laprade and jet-propelled "Eli" Bienvenue, Assumption's cinder-pounding speedsters indisputably captured the mythical "city track crown."

Played — 3
Won — 3

Assumption — 60½; Classical — 20½.

Assumption — 72 ; Commerce — 9.

Assumption — 59 ; David Prouty — 22.

Total scores:
A.H.S. — 191½
Opp. — 41½

Parenteau — 32¾; Laprade — 26¼; G. Leblanc — 22; Bienvenue — 20; Methot — 18¼; Vermette — 15; Gaucher — 11; R. F. Poirier — 10; Deslauriers — 7¼; R. Leblanc — 6; Danis — 5; Tasse — 4; Bosse — 3; Giard — 3; St. Louis — 3; Deroy — 1.

TENNIS –

Due to the inclemency of the weather, only one tennis match was played during the '46 season—a 6 to 3 victory over Worcester Academy. The interest of the team, who practiced in a sweltering sun under the brilliant mentoring of Father Joseph Pelletier, A.A., deserves much praise. Let not last year's brief season discourage anyone, for the tennis team looks forward to a more prosperous season, come May, with only last year's captain Don Robitaille missing from the line-up. The '47 netmen will be co-captained by Leo Darsigny and Rene Viau. Players: Larry Therrien, Roger Caron, Alcide Leclerc, Pete Gaudet and Leon Lussier.

HOCKEY –

An unofficial attempt to organize a school hockey team this year materialized, and the season, although curtailed by mild weather and late organization, was totally successful. Sparkling ice talent among the boys was enough to give us at first season's end: played 5, won 5.

The big gun of the team was Center Claude Jourdain, Captain and season's high scorer. No smaller noises were wingman Al Audet, goalie Gus Gosselin and defenseman Rog Parenteau.

Total points: Assumption 51, Opponents 25.

Games: Spencer—1, AHS—6; Willimantic —1, AHS—7; College—9, AHS—18; College —7, AHS—12; College—7, AHS—8.

Capt. Claude Jourdain, C; Al Audet, W; R. Bessette, W; D. Brodeur, W; M. Gosselin, G; G. Ouellette, D; R. Parenteau, D; N. Renquin, D.

Class Sports

In a school that is our home, and on a campus that is our backyard there are few minutes of inactivity . . . there is always something doing; be it mild type of recreation or a strenuous game. At Assumption sports play a paramount role in diverting lonesome, text-book tired youngsters. And we of "47" are no exception.

Our husky voices that cheered our varsity teams in action were not silent "in between games". On the contrary, we yelled, with the same spirit, as loud, if not louder, when our classmates scored another victory in the ever present intramural leagues. For, year after year, season after season, the students have formed teams, competed among themselvs, won championships, became renowned . . . such was the intramural sports league at Assumption—a pastime that afforded the students, who were a degree inferior to varsity talent, the opportunity to play the games like varsity men. Unsung sports heroes all!

When the classes were adjourned the gridiron, the basketball court, the baseball diamond were scenes of joy and laughter; of skill and sweat. No longer did the four walls of study hall, classroom or dormitory enprison our lively young spirits . . . in the world of sports, we were free!

The class of "47" demonstrated not only its strength but its skill in intramural sports. Although sacrificing its "standouts" to varsity teams, the class kept enough good apples in the barrel to satisfy the hunger of many a rival; and for four years, "47" turned out teams that worried all competition.

Enthusiastic class interest was the main reason for our success. Our teams played with vim and vigor, but rarely was a game occasion for a brawl. We learned clean play, fair play, hard play and, when defeated, always maintained the sports-manlike attitude. We learned to play for fun; not for blood. With this spirit in mind, our classmates hustled to Rodier Field, or to the gym, "ready to do or die" for "47".

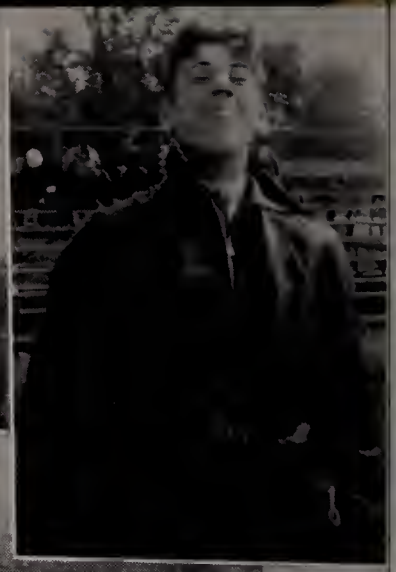
On the gridiron, the 47'ers became renown by the keen play of standouts like Ray Bosse, Eli Bienvenue, Al Audet, Rog Boisvert. When these "four horsemen" were chosen to carry the brunt of the load for our newly-formed Varsity of 46-47, the class found that their successors, Andy Normandeau, Duffy Duford, Rog Parenteau, Rol Ferland, were no less efficient. All these boys were essential cogs in the wheel of victory as we copped the mythical intramural football championship in our Sophomore year and continued thereafter to roll over our opponents.

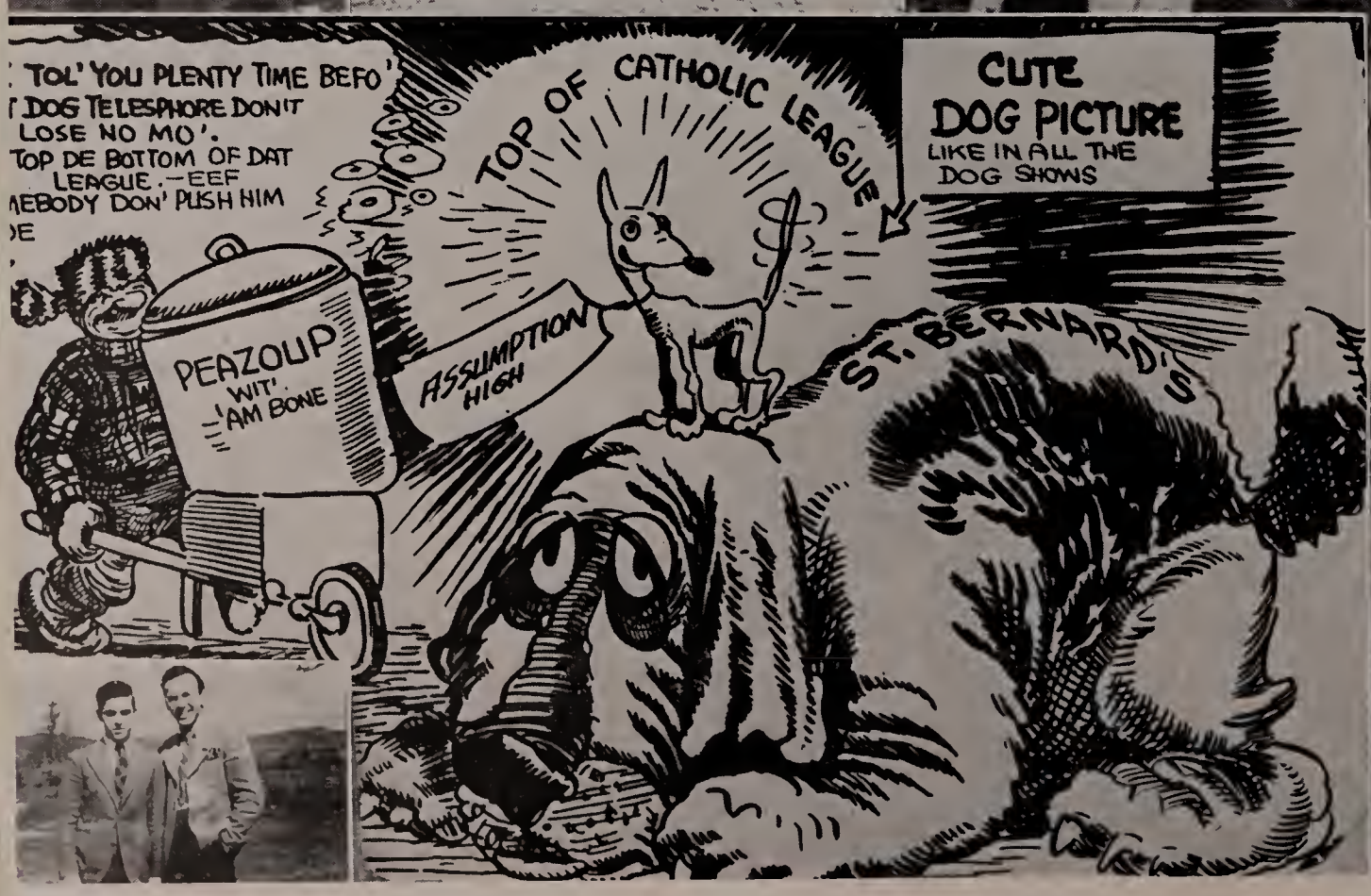
However, Basketball was really "just our meat". Sparked by the sensational play of that Ernie Calverly of Assumption, Paul Savard; of Dan Bronsan and Ray Langevin, the class hoopsters made every game a board scorcher. Deadeyes and whiz kids like Gus Allaire, "Archie" Archambeault, Rol Ferland, George Gilbert and Romeau Nadeau were the class' right hand men and clinched many a victory. Interest had reached such a height in our Senior year that class divisions A and B were forgotten and our talented boys formed teams on their own initiative. "Rockets", "Midgets" and "Jellybeans" were names common in the speech of every student.

Neither spring fever nor summer heat discouraged our fine spirits and "47" again sparkled on the baseball diamond. Rog Boisvert, Ken Gauthier, Ray Bosse, George Gilbert and Ray Langevin were among the many who batted us to countless victories.

And so the list might continue for such was the interest and the spirit of "47" that few sports were not played, and even fewer of our classmates did not, in some way, keep the ball rolling. That is exactly the reason why the Intramural Sports League is such a highly commendable organization. For not only has it been one of the most important steps forward in the progress of our Alma Mater but it also united the class of "47" with stronger bonds, endowing us with a character of clean, fair sportsmanship.

— Never say die — Say try —

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CHAPITRE 6

. . NOS FRERES . .

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NOS PETITS FRERES

L'amour et l'entr'aide mutuels conditionnent la vie de famille à l'Assomption. Nous sommes tous frères du plus grand au plus petit; nous ne pouvons donc quitter l'Alma Mater sans un mot de souvenir pour ces figures familières liées à notre vie quotidienne par des rapports intimes.

Plus près de nous, les méthodistes connus depuis trois ans. Ils ont déjà pris notre place à l'Écho, ils la prendront bientôt au Memini, ils subiront après nous l'examen final (au plein sens du mot) qui précède le diplôme. Dans nos rapports avec eux, nous avons constaté leur bel esprit de classe, leur entrain au travail, leurs brillants succès aux jeux, jusqu'à leurs ambitions politiques (triumvirat). Sans vouloir borner leur réussite de l'an prochain, nous souhaitons qu'ils préparent un merveilleux apothéose.

Peut-être avons-nous paru quelque peu etrangés aux syntaxistes, dans le retranchement de nombreuses occupations. Loin de nous d'ignorer leur présence bruyante. Au cours de l'année nous avons pu jouir de leurs talents dramatiques dans les deux réalisations du Frère Richard Richards, "Les deux timides" et "Lemon Pie For Andy". De même leur contribution à tous les sports; leurs nombreuses recrues fournies aux diverses équipes fondent pour l'avenir de merveilleux espoirs dans le domaine des sports à l'Assomption. Notons encore que l'un d'eux, Lawrence Richards, représenta honorablement l'Assomptior au concours oratoire des Écoles Supérieures Catholiques de Worcester.

Comme de raison la distance nous empêche de connaître les cadets par leurs noms. Mais nous avons vus maintes fois ces petits espiègles rôder un peu partout dans tous les coins de la maison. Leurs premiers jours à l'Assomption, ils s'égaraient souvent dans les interminables couloirs si familiers pour nous. Que dire de leurs minois attristés par la récente séparation de papa et maman. Ensuite leur insouciance pour les études: nous les avons rarement vus étudier en dehors des classes, ce qui donnait l'inconsciente nostalgie de nos premiers jours. (Impossible de la couler douce à la veille du diplôme).

Puissent tous ces "jeunes" profiter des expériences mémorables de nos années d'étude: succulents examens de Grec et de Latin, les corvées de Français et d'Anglais, les mutineries, les punitions, et aussi le dernier succès du parchemin. Que vos années d'Assomption coulent heureuses par le privilège de cette sagesse dont nous devons être fiers.

1ère rangée: V. Bélanger, L. Danis, G. Gauthier.

2ème rangée: N. Lavigne, *prés.*, E. Doiron.

3ème rangée: O. Blanchette, R. Tremblay, *prés.*, C. Tassé, R. Pelletier.

Gone but not Forgotten

Years from now, when we shall have reached the age where there is nothing left but the memories of the "good old days" of school life, may we take up "Memini—47" and chuckle as we remember: The singular Mr. Wright, Assumption's own "Mr. Chips" . . . Mr. Raymond "Joe Blow" Marion's southern accent . . . The time when Fr. Armand and our erstwhile librarian Fr. Clair (and we mean it) thought someone had stolen the chassis of our radio . . . Father Paul, Brother Arthur (Clermont): friendly counsellors . . . The strange sight of "Pal" daily dragging the "Old Man" around on a chain . . . The punctual(?), nerve wracking clanging of bells . . . The jokes of the Sophomore year by that inveterate joker, Father Ricky: "Believe it or not by Ricky" (remember his corn) . . . The great "Reformation Week", January 47, when the whole school was held back . . . The "Old Man's" classes, his sheets, his recitations, but still the "Old Man" . . . The Prefect's wanderings and his "gardez le ton" . . . Mr. Poulin's audience contact . . . The day when Isaaque Phkiowe and Joe Phknae froze because Richard wouldn't open the door . . . Gus Allaire's Ford car, won in a raffle, and the trouble it caused him (and others) . . . Decorating the Senior room at Christmas . . . Caroling the Fathers in their "sanctum sanctorum" . . . Our Echo—when it was published . . . The gags in the "Around the Campus" column . . . The N.H.S. with four members . . . Father "Windy's" calisthenics . . . The Freshmen-Sophomore fights of 43 . . . "Les Lectures Spirituelles" . . . How hard it was to answer the invocation "Benedicamus Domino" at 6 in the morning . . . The times we used the gym as chapel . . . Lammy's long tales (well it made good conversation) . . . The strange behavior of Count DeForas . . . The long, almost intolerable weeks when we did tasks to the tune of workers' hammers . . . "The Boys" who formed the "Dishonor Society": Normandeau, Savard, Viau, Farley, Gaumond, Eli, Parenteau, ad infinitum . . . Our spirited basketball games . . . Our city-renowned cheerleaders . . . The long, dry week-ends, when we spent two hours in rec hall and six in study . . . Our one-feature Saturday night movies, and those hard seats . . . Lent, and "Le grand silence" at breakfast . . . The Cremo Club led by jolly "Ti-Coq" Pelletier . . . Rene "Vidu" Viau's daily search for things to eat . . . The day Airoldi threw a plate of macaroni in Gerard Page's face—and was put "parmi les rangs" . . . Our phlegmatic waiters . . . Our friends,

who would always lend a nickel, give a butt (and look for double recompense) . . . The terrors of the influenza injection . . . The "fat men": Laplante, Tournier, Roy; and the "almost fat men": Gagnon, "Ti-Fat", Larocque, "Fish" Lavoie . . . Father Oscar's snuffing; Father Odilon's less evident snuffing . . . "Rosy's" precise sheets, his dramatics, his exams . . . Mr. "Mimi" Coderre's paternal talks . . . Baloney and fried potatoes, and the simultaneous remark emitted by our able punster, Paul Vigeant, "Pukels and cinnacanic gysentories again" . . . French beds . . . The time Lammy and Leo Grenier doused with water by "Swede" for battling in refectory . . . weekends home .. . Parlor (and "your cute kid sister"(?) . . . Our buddy, the "Swede" . . . The hikes to physics lab 4 times a week . . . The sudden pangs of hunger we experienced when someone else received a box of "goodies" . . . The eagerness at mail call . . . Giving Mr. Burns a bunch of carrots for his birthday . . . The months when the only female we saw was Joan of Arc in Crescent Park . . . The profs' birthdays, and the ensuing free studies . . . The ecstasy of a freedom-giving vacation . . . Studying "under the covers" for the "Old Man's" recitations . . . The three worst dressed Seniors: Savard, Gosselin, Roy . . . The class politicians: Benoit, Audet, Bolduc . . . The punsters: Vigeant, Alarie, R. Gautheir and Tormey, always good for a laugh . . . Dictionary penances . . . "Gaucher's" unbiased Civics course . . . Our profs' nicknames: Sneaky, Old Man, the Gazer, Rosy, Joe Blow, Gauch, Ditchy, Cutie, Mimi, Tony, Bull, B.B., Ichabod, Windy, Dumbo, Lip, Baldy, Ricky, Swede, Clem, "Desultory", Smoky, Quack . . . Our lost classmates: Polark, Richards, Rochester, Bronson, McIntosh, MacDonald, Skeeziks, Whitey, Larry Rousseau, Fern Pelletier, Eddie Bessette . . . "Joe" Laflamme always getting the butt end of everything . . . "Rog" Parenteau, master magician, sleight of hand expert and even, the card-fiends suspected, a potential card-sharp-"Good deal" . . . Our "mailmen", the externs, who were surprised when they had less than 10 letters to "sneak" out . . . Our annual retreat in September . . . The time we didn't have anything to do (well, I can't remember either) . . . Our prom.

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To the Keeper of the Gate:

My dear Saint Peter,

In reply to your demand for references for the class of '47 of Assumption High School, we are unable to furnish complete details because of the numerous and continual good deeds of these boys. However, fresh dispatches from our correspondents on earth reveal incidents which might give you an inkling of their character.

In Washington, President RAYMOND BOLDUC at a formal dedication of the added White House wing, the Cremo Room, startled the nation by a $100,00 appropriation to the "All-out for Assumption" drive. On hand to receive the donation were Very Reverend PHILIAS AUGER, a.a., President of the school; Reverend GEORGE GAMACHE, a.a., professor of Latin; and the Reverend EDUARD CANUEL, a.a., professor of biochemistry. Important personnages at the ceremony included: His Excellency RAYMOND BOSSE, Cardinal of Fall River; Reverend FRANCIS TOURNIER, Maryknoll missioner fresh from 10 years labor in Lower Slobbavia; ALPHONSE AUDET, former Secretary of State, presently official emissary to the Vatican; and as spokesman for the Pope, CAMILLE Cardinal THIBAULT expressed the Pontiff's joy at the gift.

Also in Washington, the G. O. P. National Chairman LUCIEN BENOIT was asked the chances of the Republican Candidate for the Presidency, ALCIDE LECLERC. Replied Benny: "We'll win—I hope, I hope, I hope."

On the International scene, LEO DARSIGNY, Ambassador to Lilliputania, and ALBERT VANVOOREN, American Consul in France, report that the potato situation is more favorable this year because of the generous shipment of 200,000 tons made by JEAN CHARLES LAUSIER, wealthy potato magnate from Maine.

Deep in the wilds of India, NORMAND COTE and ROGER LAFLAMME report the discovery of a new tribe of Cannibals. Name: Veronicellies.

PAUL GREGOIRE, International Hearts Champion, will defend his title in a tournament sponsored by the Sticky Card Co. of America, owned by RENE LEVESQUE and NORMAND LORANGE. Paul expects to find his great trouble in ROGER PARENTEAU, sleight of hand expert and magician.

The world renowned universe trotter, KENNETH GAUTHIER, brought word from Jupiter today that the three scientists, GEORGE GILBERT, PAUL ALARIE, and ROLAND DESROSIERS, have flown to Saturn for an exhibition of their new electron smashing process which creates the Georgetron, the Paultron, and the Dittotron. Kenny hinted that the world would also soon hear from MAURICE GOSSELIN and ROGER CARON who are attempting the construction of a suspension bridge from the North Star to Pluto. Time Marches On, you know!

Latest news from Reverend RICHARD ARCHAMBEAULT, "Flying Padre" and skilled archeologist in the Lapland Expedition, tells of a discovery by explorer GILLES LEDUC of the true grave of Joe Phknae.

Back in the United States, Wall Street went wild when ROBERT GAUMOND, owner of the Smoky Tobacco Corporation, announced his retirement. Purchaser of his company was NORMAND LAROCQUE, wealthy speculator.

The skilled optometrist GASTON CHARBONNEAU has discovered, with the aid of his fellow-doctor NORMAND BEAUSOLEIL, a solution for removing spots before the eyes. Fee: $10 per dot.

The MORRISSETTE-RONDEAU Drug Corp. has bought all rights on the newly patented sulfur chrolonolymide, discovered by PAUL VIGEANT, world famous alchemist.

Another business man, MAURICE ALLAIRE, has opened a new rocket concern in Detroit. (He also has on hand a limited supply of 1947 Ford cars.) The new business is expected to boom rapidly since "Gus" has appointed JOHN DUFAULT as General Manager.

A new step forward in the progress of American Education was seen recently as ROLAND MIVILLE was appointed Professor of Agriculture at the Stutterers University of Waterbury. Dr. EUGENE FARLEY, founder of the school, declared that Professor Miville's treatise, "How to Grow Mushrooms", was one of the best in Agriculture.

On Broadway, RENE "FRANKIE" VIAU, crooner at ANDY NORMANDEAU's nite-club "Runts Palace", established a new record of 299 swoons in one performance. Dr. RAYMOND LANGEVIN, founder of the Langevin Free Clinic, rushed ambulances and medical aid to the club. No one on the danger list!

In a neighboring night spot, HENRY GAGNON's "Three-H Club", the great comedy team "DICK" AIROLDI and "BOB" GAUTHIER are breaking all attendance records with playwright "SKIPPY" LEBLANC's new play: "Two Dubs in a Tub".

Music lovers acclaimed the reappearance of PISCUS LAVOIESKIE on the concert stage. Absent because of a long tour around the world, he is scheduled to play in Carnegie Hall next week. He has chosen to play the complicated third movement of the second part of the fifth version of Phkyowe's "Opera de Doro, Ricardo". Accompanying the maestro will be pianist JOHANNE GUYZART LAPLANTE and the Carnegie orchestra.

Assumption's annual Senior Prom, sponsored by philantropist ROGER PELLETIER, at the Worcester Auditorium was a huge success. Playing for an audience of almost 2000 students, were BOB LAMOUREUX's Woonsocket Boilermakers, renowned band featuring trumpeter ROMEO "HOT LIPS" NADEAU.

GERARD LESPERANCE has finished his 30th picture for Apex films, owned by ROLAND BLAIS. In the picture, "Mr. Midnite Walks at Dawn", Gerry plays the role of "Spes", famous movie character created exclusively for Apex by the top writing team RICHARD THERIAULT and ANDRE LAPRE.

JACQUES MORELLE, better known as Clark Glorelle, refused to finish a recent picture for Apex. Declared Gorelle: "I'm tired of making love to those beautiful girls."

ELI BIENVENUE, the great pro-basketball pivot man whose season's record of 2,378 points is unequaled in pro competition, accepted to coach GRACEville University in GRACEtown, Massachusetts.

After groping in the shadows of things for more than a quarter century, LEO GRENIER has invented a pair of glasses rumored to be invisible. (Don't get into a fight, Leo).

LIONEL AYOTTE, who received his training at the "Big Red Jail House on the Hill", was appointed new warden at Leavenworth Jail. Quotes GILBERT BELLEROSE, Mayor of North Grosvenordale who appointed Ayotte: "He's a good man, McGee!"

For the first time in its history, Putnam Catholic Academy elected a male president, LAURENT THERRIEN. "Hormidas'" plan during his administration: co-education.

In that almost invisible hamlet of Woonsocket (the patch in the woods), GEORGE ROY has opened a Reducing Colony. Claims Roy: "Since the girdle didn't do the trick, I had to try something". Eminent physical trainer working for "Tiny" is DUFFY DUFORD, Spanish athlete.

We are proud to announce that the Nobel Prize winner in Art this year is Worcester's own JOHN TORMEY. John gained top honors for his heart-rending depiction of the wintry death of Abercrombie Papouschnik.

GEORGE JARVAIS, another world figurehead, was the U. S. representative in the World Olympics, held on NORMAND GAUDET's Carribean Island. Stated Pete: "Goils from countries round come just to see Georgie's golden locks". Hubba! Hubba!

The Dry-Paint Company, owned by MARCEL GILL and ROLAND FERLAND, has undertaken the task of painting the newly erected Assumption College buildings, with their special corosion paint which, they promise, will rust every bell in the school.

Admiral ROGER BOISVERT, quondam football great at Annapolis, now commander of the New Bedford Fleet, just finished his latest book, (Title: "Boarding School Bores",) dedicated to his "23rd graduation anniversary from high school, class of '47".

That is quite a record for one day, Saint Peter, but I assure you that it is not an exception. For the Class of '47 lead happy, prosperous lives. And as I examine the Permanent Record, I am happy to see that they are sure to be together when the final trumpets blow.

Eternally yours,
Gabriel

Class History

Four years of long studies, continual gripes and latent happiness well deserve a permanent place in our memories. Hence, this chronicle.

'43-'44—With mixed emotions of bewilderment and sorrow, a nervous group of inexperienced, untried lads straggled up a tree-lined lane to an impressive, massive-looking building. The Class of '47 had arrived.

A few tear-streaked weeks sufficed to orientate us to the vigorous schedules, the strange Latin classes and the quaint antics of the roly-poly priest we called "The Prefect". Father Louis-Robert Brassard, who became during those first confusing months our mom, dad and friend. "Green Youngsters", we learned to keep our mouths shut, our eyes opened, as we followed the example of our "older brothers". Although allowed few afternoon holidays, we thrilled to a vast panorama of card parties, class plays, sports tombolas, topped off with a superb presentation of "The Mikado". As untrained minds ripe for the sowing of the seeds of education, we learned strange new subjects under never to be forgotten teachers like the Fathers Antonio, Armand, Edward, the Brothers Arthur, Gerard, and Mr. Gaucher. It was our period of formation. Then before we realized the time, the class of '47, cocky and worldly-wise(?), experienced the exquisite happiness of leaving Assumption on a summer vacation.

'44-'45—It was a much older looking group that ascended Madame Homer Gage Avenue in September '44. Depleted in number, yet more experienced in character, the class of '47 was at it again.

No longer mere "babies" we continually took deep pleasure and satisfaction from the sight of puzzled Freshmen wandering dazedly about. Our formerly childish souls, weeping for home, were now "manly" hearts yearning for the sweetheart of the summer. Many physical aspects of the school, classrooms, recreation hall, had changed; many new priests were added to the faculty; but the lively spirit of Father Prefect, aided this year by the young son of Canada, Father Paul Martel, whom we were soon to know well, maintained the spirit of friendly co-operation between student body and faculty.

Over-cocky and straining a little in the harness of discipline we had our little difficulties. Despite them, the Class of '47 enjoyed its Sophomore year and counts it among the best years of their lives.

'45-'46—Junior year saw the return of a far less numerous Class of '47. Many of our classmates had dropped out on the long arduous way and could not enjoy, as we did, the title of "Upperclassmen". Even we could not enjoy the ultimate pleasure when we learned that our amiable, devoted Father Prefect had resigned. However Father Armand Desautels stepped neatly into his shoes and soon won our favor by certain freedom-giving innovations. As Juniors, we had little time to enjoy these privileges and "favors". Burdened and buried beneath a load of schoolwork, vastly different than that of the two previous years, we tired fast and our appreciation for these benefits was dulled, seemingly beyond repair. Nevertheless, our Junior year was enjoyed by most of us, for besides the joys of our friendly common life, we looked forward with joyous expectation to our Senior year when we would become "The Elders".

'46-'47—And then it came, our Senior Year! Now we could enjoy what every adult terms the "Golden Years". Unfortunately, strange to say, our Senior year was not quite up to par with our hopes, nor those of all our teachers, friends and parents. For some strange reason, a breach, barely perceptible but sorrowfully real, was established between the Seniors and the Faculty. Despite various, no doubt sincere attempts of the Father Prefect to alleviate the differences, the breach remained. This estrangement, coupled with the doubly serious and difficult work for a diploma often depressed us. However, as a group we were joined together by a spirit which we had not felt during the preceding years. We lived together, we griped together and our hearts united to form a common bond of friendship which will exist until the last among us has sought eternal rest.

This is our history. We have told it frankly, sincerely, truthfully. Remember it, Class of '47. No matter what we think, perhaps these were our "Golden Years".

The Chronicler of Years gone by.

Remerciements

Voilà notre annuaire! Pour nos amis lecteurs il cache peut-être du mystère, mais pour la classe de '47 c'est un filon d'agréables et réconfortants souvenirs. Aussi nous tenons à remercier les généreuses collaborations dont l'effort concentré a permis la réussite de notre MEMINI:

nos contributeurs financiers dont l'aide fut indispensable;

notre imprimeur, M. George Bourdelais de l'imprimerie Whittall, pour son intérêt et ses efforts;

nos photographes, les studios Loring, et leurs agents, Mde Bennett et M. Mercer, responsables en grande partie de la réussite artistique du MEMINI;

nos artistes graveurs, la compagnie Johnson;

et les membres de la faculté, notamment le P. Louis-Robert Brassard, notre conseiller avisé, et le P. Rosaire St.-Laurent, pillier de l'élégance litté raire du MEMINI.

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